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## IMPERIAL TROOPS NOW IN THE STREETS OF TOBRUK

### Marshal Graziani Loses Two-Thirds Of His Vaunted Libyan Army

CAIRO, JAN. 22 (REUTER).—IMPERIAL TROOPS ARE NOW IN THE ACTUAL STREETS OF TOBRUK ALTHOUGH FIGHTING CONTINUES ON THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE OUTER PERIMETER.

TOBRUK CONTAINED AT LEAST ONE DIVISION WITH A SMALL ELEMENT OF ANOTHER DIVISION, AND ALSO PERMANENT GARRISON TROOPS AND HEAVY ADDITIONAL ARTILLERY.

## 1,000 KILLED IN STREET WAR

### Rumania In A Ferment

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUDAPEST, Jan. 22 (UP).—It is reported but not yet confirmed that more than 1,000 persons have been killed in the three cornered fighting between the Iron Guards, the Rumanian army and the Germans.

## BUILDING 200 SHIPS IN U. S. A.

### Replacing World Shortage

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Emergency appropriation of \$313,000,000 for building 200 new cargo ships to meet the threat of a world shipping shortage, was recommended today by the House Appropriations Committee.

This followed a statement by Rear Admiral Land, Chairman of the Committee, that the sinking of merchantmen by German submarines and planes was the principal reason for the new programme.

The money is to be handled by the Maritime Commission which has already begun preliminary work on the programme.

The ships are to be simplified with a uniform design. Rear Admiral Land estimated that the first will be ready 11 months after the contract is placed and that the total programme will be finished in two years.

## Destroyers Cross The Atlantic

U.S. Ships For Britain  
NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The 50 destroyers traded to Britain were now "on the other side," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, told a press conference today.

He said that there was one possible exception, namely that of the destroyer which was damaged in collision after being transferred, but, Colonel Knox added, even this "may be over there now."

Replying to a question, Colonel Knox denied that the British were asking for American cruisers of the Wichita type. "As a matter of fact, they are not asking for any more of our ships," he said.

### Destroyer Lost

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the destroyer Hyperion has been lost. The announcement says: "H.M.S. Hyperion sustained damage by a torpedo or mine which rendered her incapable of steaming and she was subsequently sunk by our forces."

With the mopping up of Tobruk forces, Marshal Graziani has now lost two-thirds of the total Italian forces which were in Libya when operations first started on December 9.

The forces eliminated comprise an equivalent of eight Blackshirt or Metropolitan divisions and three Libyan divisions.

### R.A.F. GIVE FINE SUPPORT

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Supporting the Army attack, R.A.F. bombers raided Tobruk during the night of January 20, states an R.A.F. communique.

Bombs were dropped on anti-aircraft batteries, two of which ceased firing, and on the cross-roads north-east of El Gubbi landing ground.

Violent explosions occurred among the buildings.

British fighter patrols were very active throughout the day but no contact was made with the enemy.

In Albania, military objectives in El Bassan were raided yesterday. High explosive and incendiary bombs fell within the target area. Military buildings and a railway line were hit. There were violent explosions close to the railway.

Anti-aircraft opposition was encountered and enemy fighters were active.

### Massawa Raided

In Italian East Africa, Massawa was raided on the night of January 20, the power station and a large factory being the particular targets.

The railway station at Alsha was attacked yesterday, the bombs straddling the track. A direct hit was registered on a large building.

Troop-laden lorries were machine-gunned near Adad.

Several fires were started at Burje during a night raid on camps and forts.

Rhodesian aircraft machine-gunned enemy motor transport on the road between Kuru and Bisha, causing considerable damage.

South African Air Force planes successfully raided Javello and scored hits on enemy bombers.

The British aircraft returned safely from all operations.

### The Navy's Part

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that units of the Mediterranean fleet have removed over 50,000 prisoners, and many of the captured tanks which are in condition to be repaired, from the Western Desert to main British bases.

The fleet suffered no losses and the navy supplied the advanced troops with all their water prior to the occupation of Bardia. "In one short

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## SUPPRESSION OF NEWSPAPER

### Reasons Given In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The suppression of the Communist newspaper "Daily Worker," provoked a miniature debate at question-time in the House of Commons today.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, said that the action of the authorities was not taken because of any recent change or development in the character of this publication nor because of the appearance in it of some particular articles, but because it had been for a long period the settled policy of the "Daily Worker" to try to create a state of mind in which readers would refrain from co-operating in the national war effort and become ready to hinder that effort.

## French Ship Intercepted By British

### Tried To Run Blockade

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Confirmation that the French steamer, Mendoza, which was trying to run the blockade from South America to Europe has been intercepted by the British, was given by the First Lord of the Admiralty (Mr. A. V. Alexander) in the House of Commons today.

The Independent Member, Col. J. C. Wedgwood, who had suggested that the Mendoza be sunk, interposed to ask whether this "business of hedge-hopping along the coast of South America is to continue indefinitely with all French ships."

Mr. Alexander reminded Col. Wedgwood that the "question of International Law affects not only the nation whose ships are intercepted but also other nations who are very friendly to us."

### LATEST

It was his firm conviction that the freedom of the press should be maintained even at the risk that it may sometimes be abused. But there is a wide difference between accepting such occasional risks and allowing the continuous publication of newspapers whose deliberate purpose is to achieve victory in the most momentous struggle in our history.

The object of its propaganda is to cause the downfall of the democratic constitutional government regardless of the consequences to the fate of Britain and her allies.

Before the Government took action there had been a long period of forbearance.

**Conscription of Labour**

The Communist, Mr. W. Gallagher, asked whether the Government's action coincided with the "introduction of proposals to conscript labour" and was meant to suppress all opposition to that proposal.

Mr. Morrison said that there was not the slightest connection between the two subjects. When the decision was reached to suppress the "Daily Worker" he had not the slightest knowledge that the other proposal was coming forward.

The Labour member, Mr. Aneurin Bevan asked whether an opportunity would be given to discuss the matter in the House.

The Premier intervened to say that there was sufficient desire to debate the matter naturally an opportunity would be given, and he hoped that the matter would be pressed to a division so "that we may clearly see the balance of opinion in the House."

## MR WILLKIE ON WAY TO U.K.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Mr. Wendell Willkie left today in the Yankee Clipper en route to London.

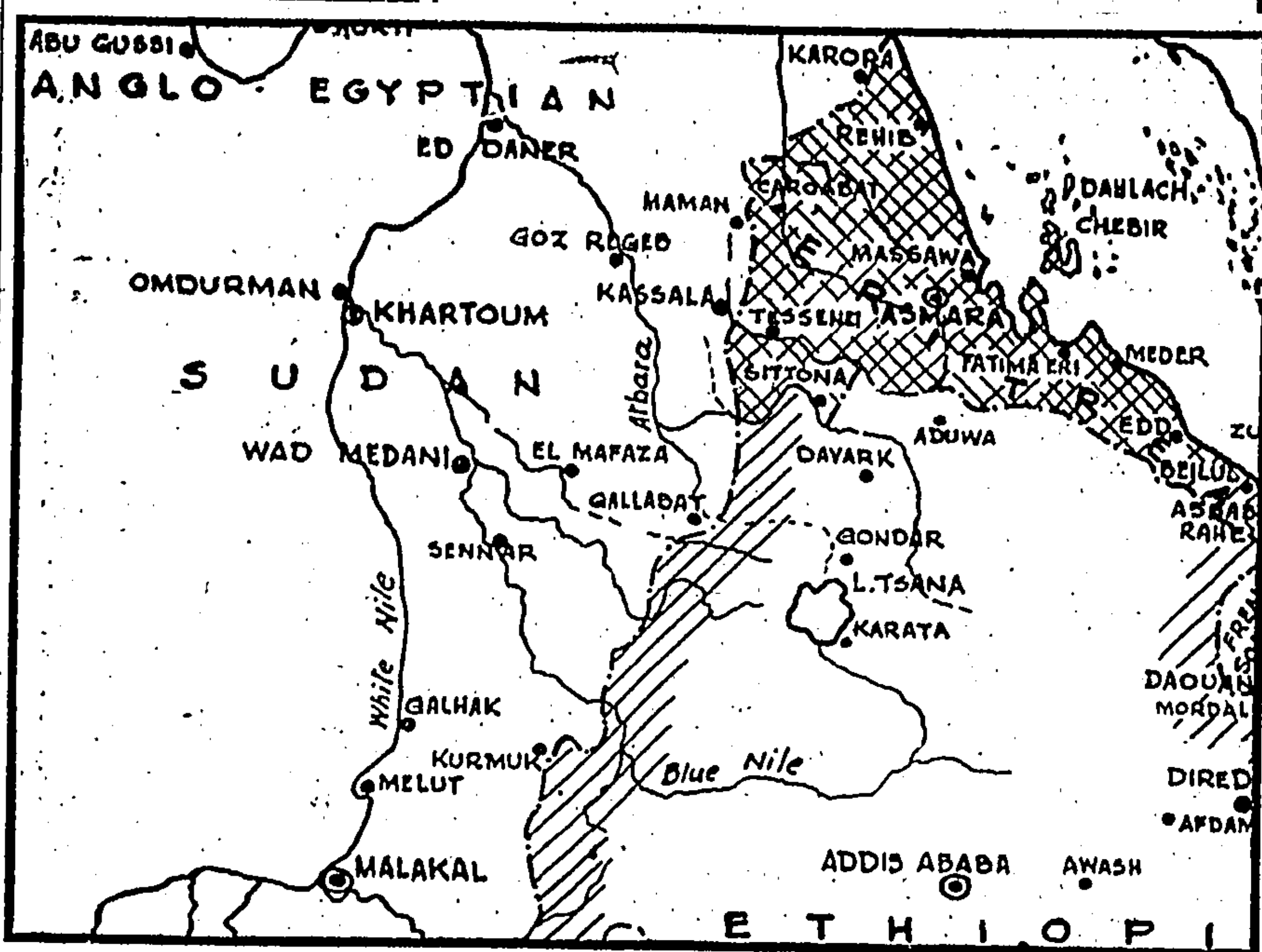
Before leaving the airport Mr. Willkie said: "I believe strongly that the survival of England is the best assurance for keeping America out of this war, and I think that we should support the fighting men of Britain so that they can stop the onslaught of Hitlerism."

"I hope that free men all over the world will join to stop totalitarianism."

A borrowed trench helmet was included in Mr. Willkie's luggage.

## BRITISH ADVANCE INTO ERITREA

This map reveals where the British offensive in the Sudan and against Eritrea is taking place. Allied forces have now made considerable advance into Italian territory from Kassala, and latest reports say that the Italians continue to flee.



## TURKEY STANDS READY

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Ankara Radio, replying to reports that the Germans now concentrated in Rumania may not be used against the Greeks or other Balkan States declared: "The bulk of the Turkish army is concentrated in Thrace and has already taken up its stand in the region where there is most danger. Turkey is waiting fully prepared."

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## TANGIER STATUS

### Britain's Rights Respected

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—In answering his first question in the House of Commons since resuming the Foreign Secretaryship, Mr. Anthony Eden was able to announce "certain definite progress" in the British negotiations with Spain over the recent administrative action in Tangier.

Mr. Eden recalled that discussions had been proceeding at Madrid with the view to concluding a provisional agreement concerning British rights and interests in the International Zone of Tangier pending a final settlement.

"Discussions are proceeding satisfactorily," said Mr. Eden. "Although consideration of all the questions involved is not yet fully completed, sufficient progress has been made to justify the view that pending a final settlement, the existing rights of British subjects in the Zone will be safeguarded."

Mr. Eden hoped to make a full statement shortly and added that there were no Italian submarines now in Tangier.

## Italian Retreat In Eritrea Continues

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Italian retreat in Eritrea is continuing, according to the latest reports received here.

No serious fighting has occurred but the British forces are in close pursuit and are harrying the Italian rear.

The enemy are expected to offer resistance at Agordat, a railroad some 50 miles from the frontier, where presumably they will occupy prepared positions.

### G. H. Q. Communique

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states: "East of Meleml the enemy is also steadily giving ground in the face of our continued pressure."

"In Kenya, enemy detachments which have been established on our side of the frontier since the outbreak of hostilities, are everywhere being driven back by intense patrol activities."

"In the Sudan, on the Kassala sector, pursuit of the Italian forces continues, and they have now withdrawn over 40 miles eastward from the frontier."

### Australian Soldiers Have A Good Time

SYDNEY, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Mr. Percy Spender, the Australian Army Minister, was "bombed" in his car by sky-larking soldiers here today.

The "bomb" which was made of a mixture of flour and chalk, "exploded" over Mr. Spender's chauffeur.

The soldiers, who were in a military truck with a shark tied to the back, threw the bomb as Mr. Spender was on his way from Palm Beach to the city.

Mr. Spender took the "bombing" in good part, saying, "The boys were having a good time. I don't intend to take any action."

## Hongkong's Eleventh January Thunderstorm

For the eleventh time in its history, Hongkong this morning suffered a January thunderstorm.

The thunder pealed and the rain lashed down for an hour between 7 and 8 o'clock, and as a result 42 points of an inch of rain were recorded by the Royal Observatory.

The last thunderstorm to occur in January was in 1937 when 90 points of an inch of rain fell.

Yesterday's temperature was also high for this time of the year, though by no means a record. Maximum reading reached 77.2, but the highest January temperature was in 1900, when 79.3 was recorded.

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## Traffic Accidents In Colony

Three Persons Killed During Past Week

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. last Saturday, there were altogether 80 traffic accidents, as the result of which three persons were killed and 20 were injured.

Three Chinese males, aged 24, 50 and 58 respectively, were knocked down and killed by lorries while crossing the carriageway.

Of the injured, 12 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway. A tricycle driver and his passenger were injured when their tricycle overturned.

Four bus passengers and two tram passengers were injured while alighting from moving buses and moving trams, respectively.

Of the accidents, 28 were collisions between vehicles, 27 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians, and 25 were due to other causes.

## Sentence Of Death On Young Man

How a young woman was repeatedly stabbed allegedly by the man with whom she had at one time been living, was told at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when Wu Leung, 24, unemployed, was charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, with the murder of Lo Kiu, 20.

Wu was subsequently found guilty by the Jury, who added a recommendation for mercy on account of his age.

Sentence of death was passed, and his Lordship informed the Jury that he would forward their recommendation to the proper quarter.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, and accused was defended by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. A. Y. Hon. The following comprised the Jury: Messrs A. C. Ellis (Foreman), Mok Wei-leung, Shum Ho-chuen, Ng Hang-on, D. J. Rutledge, J. J. Edgar and Wong Chup-yn.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday and Tuesday, the 27th and 28th January, 1941. (China New Year Holidays).

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1941.

### AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION

Sunday, January 26th being Anniversary or Foundation Day, a special Australian Service will be conducted by the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 11 a.m. All Australian and New Zealand Residents and others interested are specially invited to attend.

### FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child.

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

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### NOTICE

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20 cents per copy  
25 cents Saturdays.

## Chinese Artistes Entertain

More than \$4,000 was raised at the China Defence League's musical concert "Divertissements" at the King's Theatre last evening in aid of the Kunming (Hui Tien) and International Peace Hospitals in China. An excellent response to the appeal for the bombed was made, every seat being sold in the theatre.

The two contributing artists Miss Ai-Lien Tai, the brilliant expressive dancer, and the fine Chinese bass, Y. K. Sze, both received an ovation for their performances. The popularity of these two artists was well deserved and it was most praiseworthy that their success should be so vociferously applauded for such a worthy cause.

Among those present at the performance were Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, Chairman of the China Defence League, Mrs. Hilda Selwyn-Clarke, Hon. Secretary of the League, and Lady Clark Kerr, wife of the British Ambassador to China.

## MONSTER WAR FUND RAFFLE

Donors of Prizes are requested to hold them until won, when the Hongkong War Effort Committee will issue orders for collection to the winners.

## JAPAN TO MEDIATE Indo-China War Negotiations

Hanoi, Jan. 22. A Japanese source states that the Japanese mission under Col. Tatsuji Kokei will mediate in the Franco-Thai conflict.—United Press.

### Negotiations Proceeding

London, Jan. 22. According to a Japanese news agency in a message from Bangkok to-day, M. Roger Garreau, French Minister to Thailand, admitted that negotiations for a settlement were proceeding, but no confirmation is obtainable from the usual sources here.—Reuter.

### Negotiations Under Way

Bangkok, Jan. 22. Peace negotiations are under way between the Thai and French Governments, the Bangkok Chronicle, English language daily, admitted. Thai authorities cannot admit M. Garreau's contention that Thailand attacked first and therefore should take the initiative in suspending the hostilities, the Chronicle declared, adding that the Saigon Broadcasting Station proposed opening of truce negotiations with the demand that Thailand withdraw armed forces from French Indo-China territory.—Domic.

### Thai Drive Developing

Hanoi, Jan. 22. The Thai drive is developing into a full fledged campaign as the Japanese offer of mediation is reported. Saigon admits that planes, tanks, artillery and infantry are pouring forward 30 miles inside the northern Cambodia border where apparently is the heaviest fighting. Bangkok claims the capture of Samrong and the north Angkor ruins and says dozens of French wounded are arriving daily at Phnompenh. Saigon reports that the French were forced to retire in the face of vastly superior equipment and numbers. The other drive is still mostly patrol skirmishing, threatening to pierce the town of Pakse on the east bank of the Mekong River, where the Mekong leaves the Thai French border.

Saigon and Hanoi admit that Thai troops crossed the Mekong River, 20 miles north of Pakse, while larger forces have reached Bassak, on the west bank, 20 miles south of Pakse.—United Press.

## A. R. P. Orders Issued

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### Special Order of the Day

The Director of Air Raid Precautions wishes all Chinese members of the Corps to observe a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Chinese New Year Holidays. Attention—There will be no attendance of Warden in Hongkong on January 28, or in Kowloon on January 29. Instructional Classes—There will be no A.R.P. Lectures on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28.

A.R.P. Handbooks. Handbook No. 1 and Handbook No. 2 (English)—Wardens who have copies of these handbooks in their possession, which they do not require, are requested to return same to Headquarters where the stock is practically exhausted.

Anti-Sabotage Work. Members of the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens are asked to give every assistance to Government by volunteering for anti-sabotage duties.

Strength-Increase. The following Wardens are permitted to resign: 244 Miles Ho Wai-long, Central, 302 Chung Tung, 1408 Wong Koon-fong, Upper Levels, 2057 Leung Kai-fan, 2126 So Kong-chee, Kowloon City, on leaving the Colony. G.W. 1055 (T) J. E. Grose, Western, due to ill health. 1600 Leung Po-ming, Central.

Change of Address. 2036 Miss Wong Yee-tin, Kowloon City, to 143 Sai Yee Street, 2nd floor, Mong Kok, and 3183 Miss Au Fu-yung, Kowloon City to 160 Des Voeux Road, West, third floor.

Leave of Absence. Mr. A. E. Gerould, Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden, Hongkong, is granted leave from January 30 to January 31, 1941.

Appointments. The following appointments are notified with effect from January 22, 1941: Temporary Divisional Warden, M. L. Davis, 1st Ward, Warden, while employed at A.R.P. Headquarters, with effect from January 21, 1941.

The following promotions are notified with effect from January 15, 1941: Mr. A. E. Gerould, Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden, Hongkong, is granted leave from January 30 to January 31, 1941.

The following have qualified as Wardens but are not available for duty with the Corps: Miss Lai Wai-tak, Miss Lily Wong, Ma Wai-sang, Chung Ping-kwan.

Strength-Increase. The following have qualified as Air Raid Wardens and are posted to Divisions as hereunder: Western—3235 Choi Lit-ming, 1038 Chan Chi-kin, 3360 Cheung-tai, 3361 Fung Kok, 3362 Lau Woon-cheung, 3363 Lee Chun-oi, 3365 Lee Yip-kwan, 3367 Li Ip-kin, 3368 Li Man-ki, 3369 Lun Ching, 3370 Ng Kuo-sun, 3371 Wong Kwok-pang, 3372 Miss Woo Chi-dip, 3373 Yip Yik-tung, Bay View—3377 Chan Ho-ning, 3378 Cheung Man-shu, 3379 Handwell Chow, 3380 Chow Hon-shu, 3382 Leung Yung-por, 3384 Miss Mow Jack, 3385 Shum Kwai-wong, Shau-uk, Central—244 Miss Chan Kwok-wai, 1000 Chu Yuet-ping, 3386 Lai Kan-kwong, 3386 Leung Wai, 3388 Li Tung-tung, 3390 Wong Tze-chung, 3392 Yeung Pak-ki, Eastern—3391 Lai Shu-wai, 3391 Poon Kam-wing, 1022 Wong Kwan, Upper Levels—2045 Lau Shoo-kam, 3370 Francis C. N. Tam, (Agd.) D. H. Puckle, Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### SWEDISH NAVY PLANS

Stockholm, Jan. 22. New warships are to be added to the Swedish Navy at the rate of one week during 1941, according to the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy. In addition, several old units have been modernised and equipped with new guns. The Swedish submarine fleet is to be doubled under the present construction plan.—Reuter.

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12.52 Two Songs by Oscar Natzke (Bass).

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1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) and Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

1.55 Hawaiian Selections.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 London Relay—"Up and Over" No. 3.

A programme of Popular Variety Stars.

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Billy Thorburn at the Piano.

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 Variety.

9 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 Rachmaninoff—Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 43.

Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) with Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

9.53 A Programme of Spanish Music.

10.10 Light Orchestral Music.

10.30 Musical Comedy Selections.

11 Close down.

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## Bible Society's Appeal For Funds

An appeal for funds has been launched by the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Society in China is in its 125th year, and has scattered all over China. In Hongkong the work is carried on by a voluntary Hongkong Auxiliary, the President of which is the Bishop of Hongkong.

In 1939, 4,150,037 Bibles, Testaments, and Portions thereof were issued in 84 languages and dialects in China, while Bible Scriptures for the blind were published in Kuo-yu (the National dialect), Cantonese and in the Foochow dialect.

The Society in China first commenced its work in 1812 and two years later 2,000 copies of the New Testament in Chinese were issued.

Ever since the inception of the Hongkong Auxiliary, those responsible have carried on the work almost without publicity. During 1939, total sales and distribution amounted to 75,643 copies, which were made up of 5,923 Bibles, 4,408 New Testaments, 65,212 Portions. The Bible Book Room and Tract Depot Fraternity were responsible for this turnover.

The receipts for 1937, 1938 and 1939 were \$1,077.51, \$1,134.13 and \$1,226.20 respectively.

The accounts for the year 1940 do not close until the end of this month, so contributors have only eight days to do their bit.

De J. H. Montgomery is the Hon. Treasurer of the Hongkong Auxiliary and donations and/or subscriptions may be sent direct to him at the Matilda Hospital, No. 187 The Peak.

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## POST OFFICE

### CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

On Monday, the 27th January, the General Post Office and all Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be no collection from the pillar-boxes and no delivery by Postmen.

On Tuesday, the 28th January, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes as on Sundays and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 28th January.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on 28th January from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taipe and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways" Direct Service—San Francisco date, 23th January.

Australia and Manila ..... Jan. 23.

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Sandakan ..... Jan. 23.

Swatow ..... Jan. 25.

Calcutta and Straits ..... Jan. 28.

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date) 10th January.

United Kingdom and Straits ..... Jan. 28.

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways" Direct Service—San Francisco date, 22nd January.

Sandakan ..... Jan. 30.

Calcutta and Straits ..... Feb. 1.

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date) 17th January.

Feb. 8.

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Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

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Friday, Jan. 24

Straits and Rangoon ..... 12.30 p.m.

Sandakan, Madang, Salamaua, Rabaul and Tulagi ..... 1.30 p.m.

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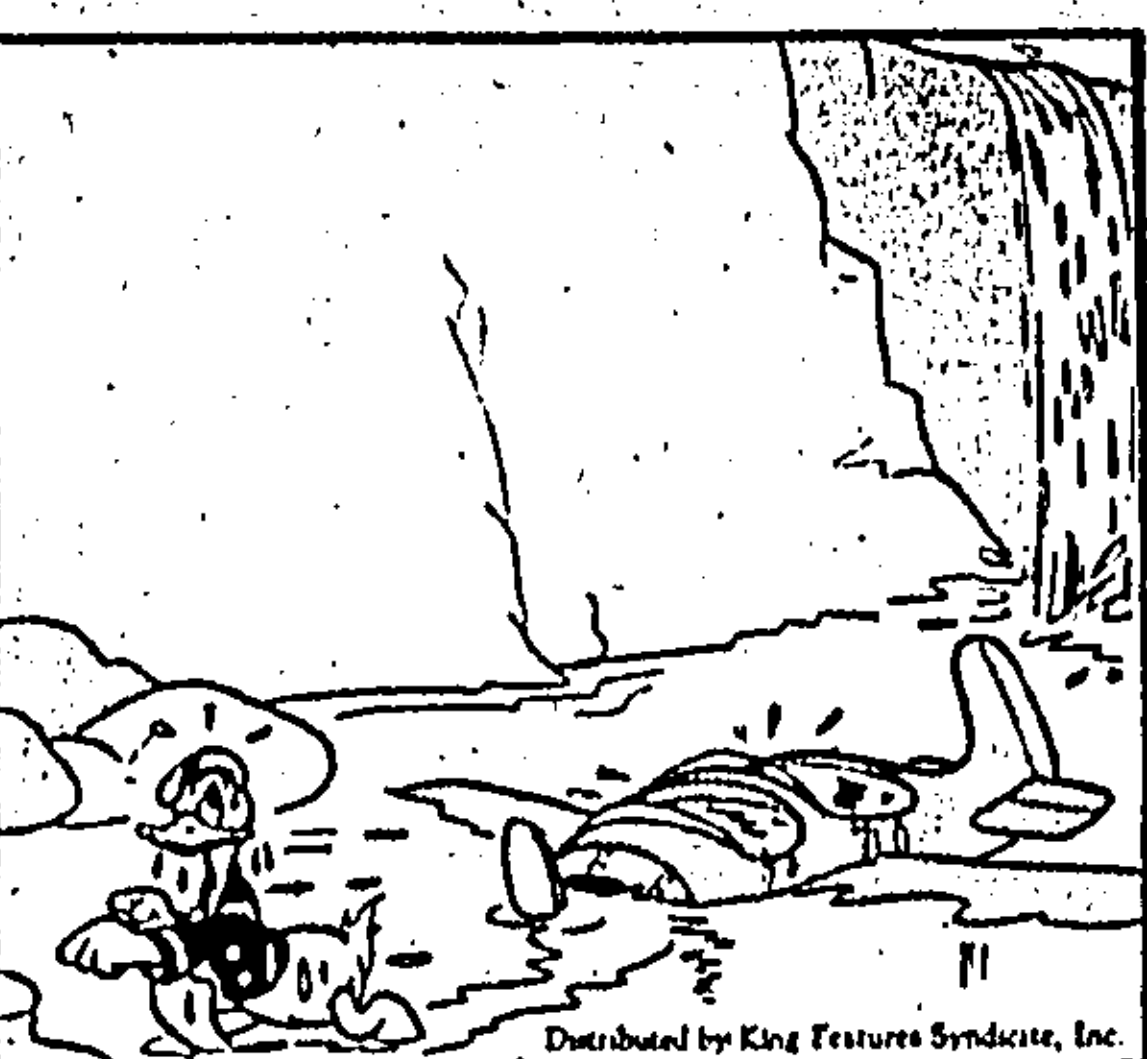
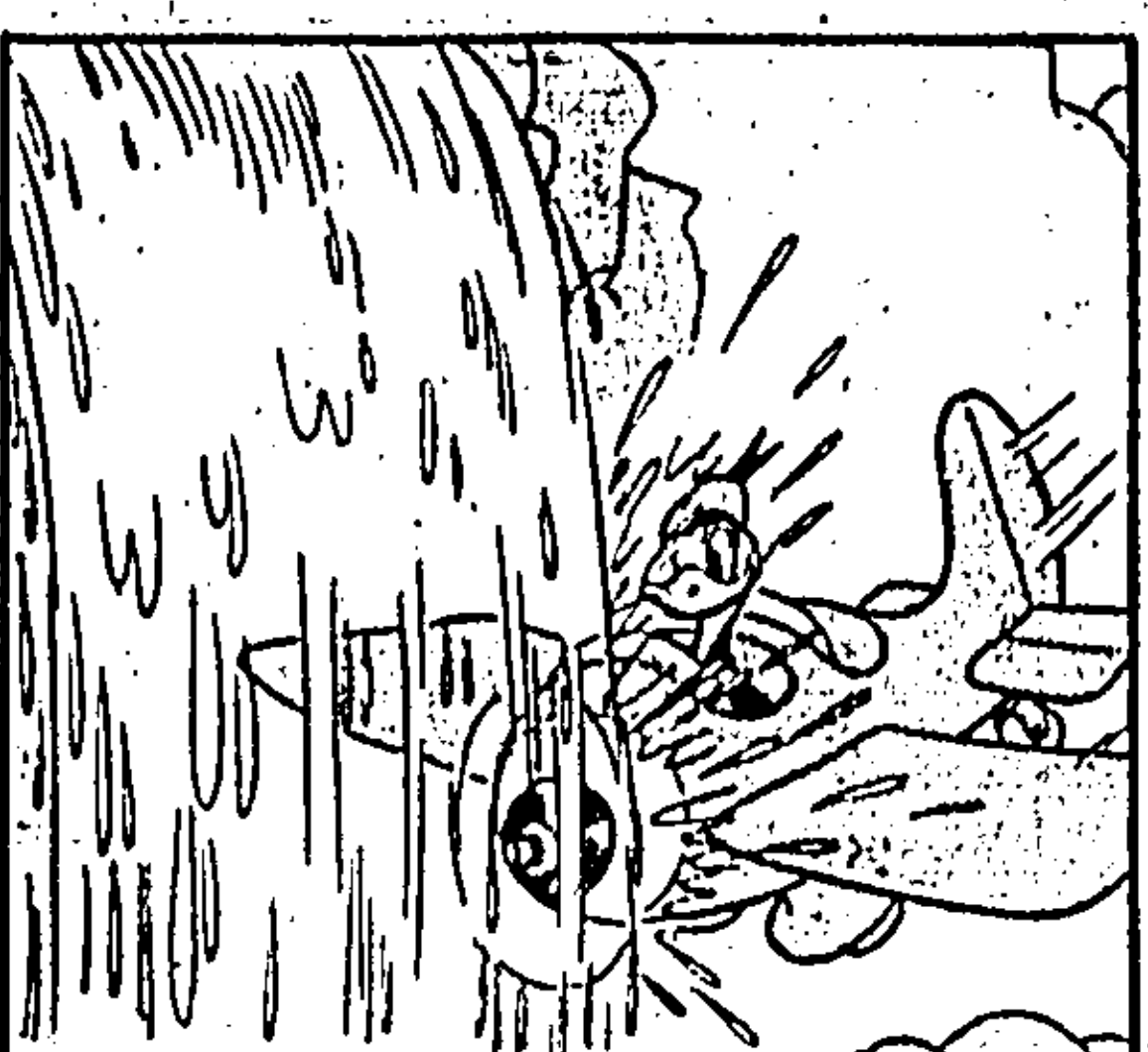
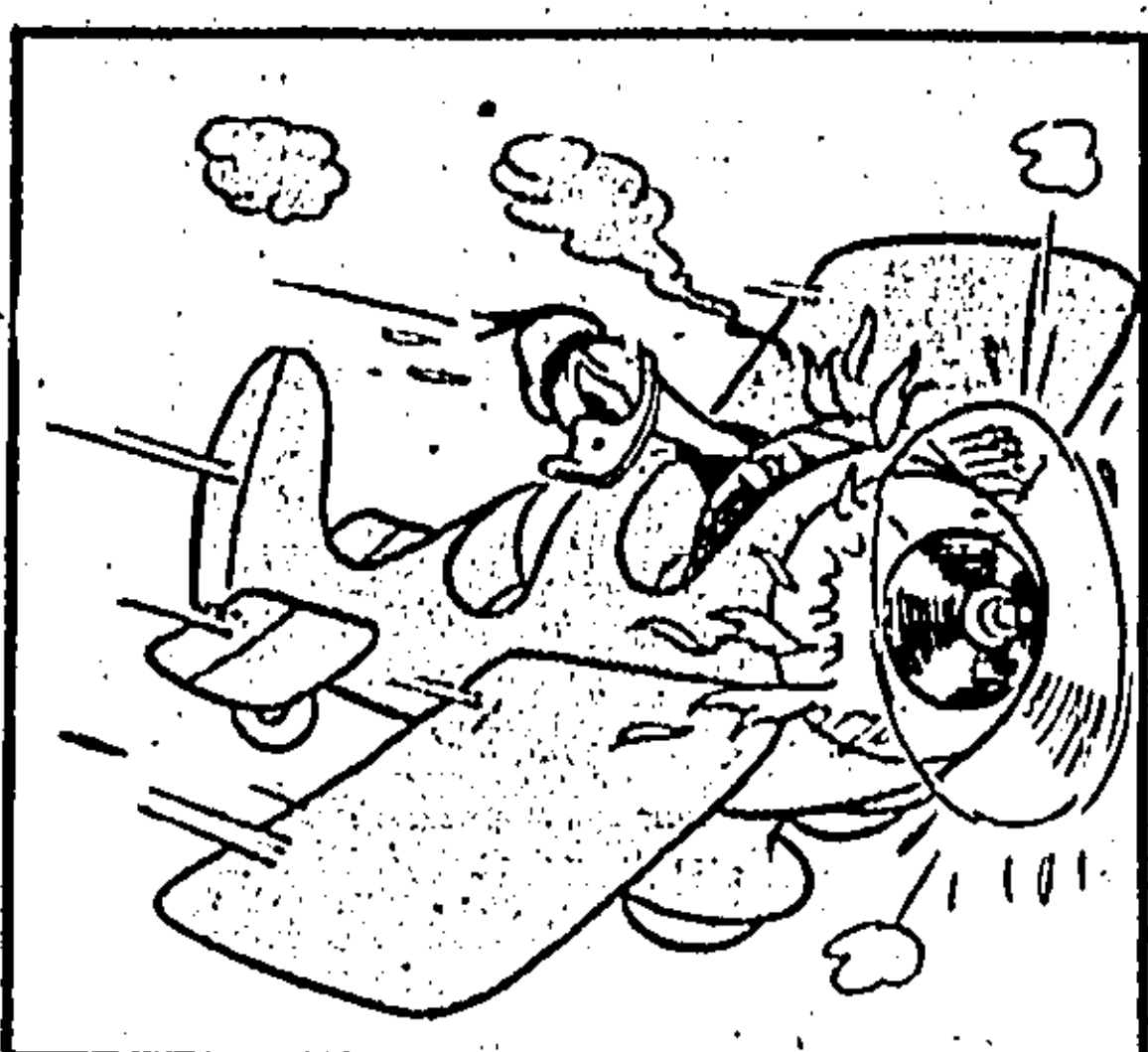
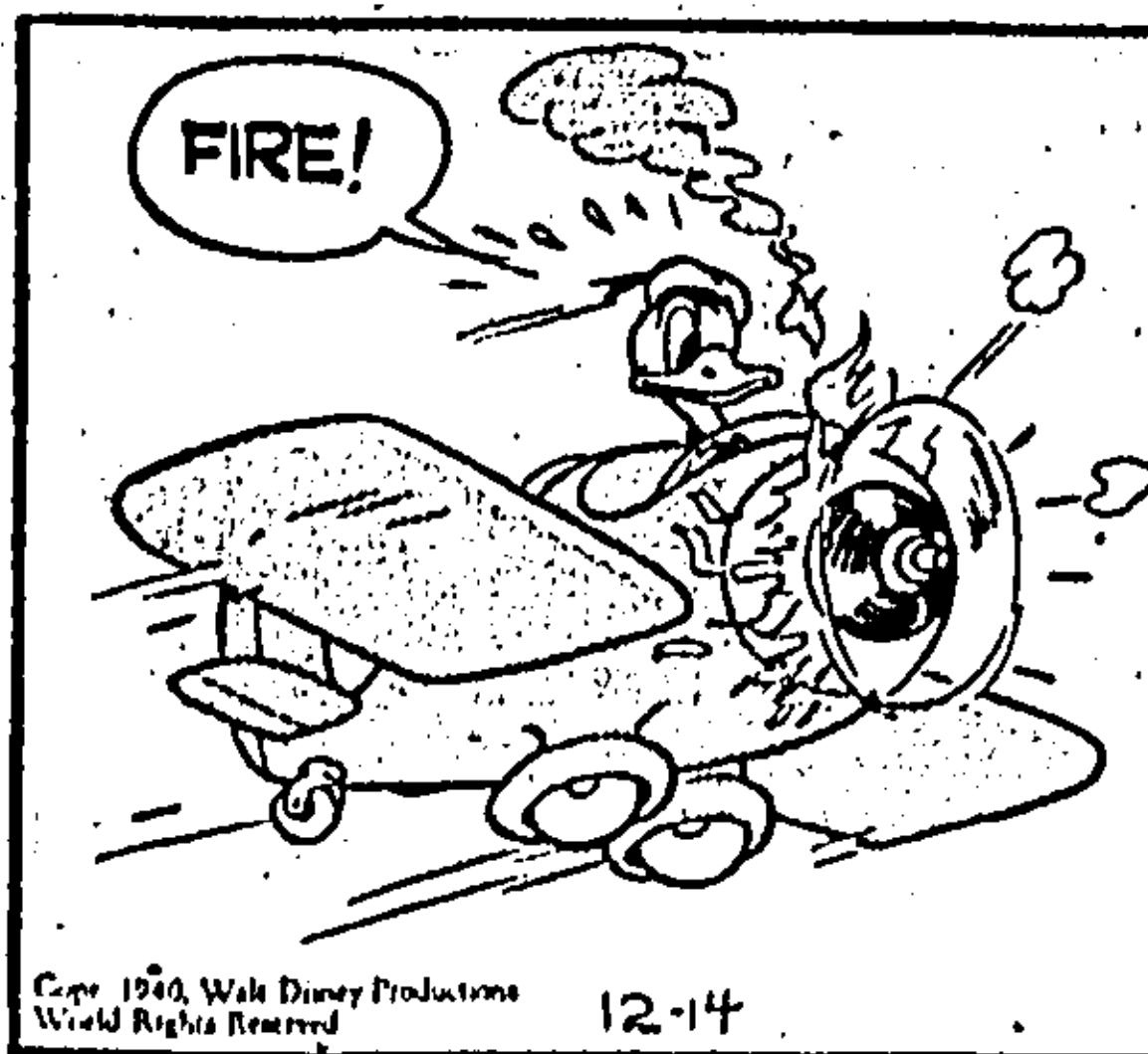
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## Crossword Puzzle

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**ACROSS**

- 1—Fence set in ditch
- 2—Tribunal
- 3—Crane
- 4—Approximately elliptical
- 5—Live in Germany
- 6—Part of body (pl.)
- 7—Transact business
- 8—Compound of iodine
- 9—Mine exit
- 10—Lodges of soldiers
- 11—Income while
- 12—Bring into bondage
- 13—Full sudden (col.)
- 14—Scouring powder
- 15—Purest Italian dialect
- 16—Of big dimensions
- 17—Ceremonies
- 18—Third king of Judah
- 19—Flute-like instrument
- 20—Cute up
- 21—Formidable
- 22—Jailed
- 23—Looks for
- 24—Commerce
- 25—Dark region between earth and shades
- 26—Metal-producing rocks
- 27—Origin
- 28—Parceling economy
- 29—Greater in degree
- 30—Largest river in France
- 31—Airplane (col.)
- 32—Conception
- 33—Mistake
- 34—Naked lace
- 35—Alloys

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### LOSING AN EMPIRE

THE entry of the Nazi Luftwaffe into the Mediterranean war theatre, and the talks between Hitler and Mussolini at Berchtesgaden pointedly synchronise; there is a widespread belief that Germany is to take control of the Axis war machine in the Mediterranean. But there are good reasons to feel that Nazi intervention on behalf of her partner has come too late.

The capture of Tobruk by British forces virtually seals the fate of Libya as a part of the Italian Empire. Its strategical importance cannot be over emphasised for ever since Libya fell under Italian sovereignty in 1912, Italy has developed Tobruk as a naval base. Its potentialities in this respect were recognised as long ago as the late 18th century when one writer observed: "It is as a future man-of-war harbour that Tobruk is likely to be important. It has been visited by both British and Italian squadrons and has become an object of considerable solicitude to the government of Italy."

Italy's solicitude for Tobruk and the advantages it offered developed into sheer hunger which found satisfaction in the crusade of 1911-12 when Tripoli was wrested from Turkish control. Now Italy has lost Tobruk, and just as the fall of Bardia made practically impossible the successful defence of the naval port, so will the loss of Tobruk compromise beyond hope the position of Derma and Benghazi. Control of this part of the North African coast will provide Britain with an immeasurable advantage in countering Nazi intervention in the Mediterranean; neither must the great strategical value of Crete, which the British have occupied since the disastrous Italian venture against Greece, be forgotten.

It is true that the German Luftwaffe can have a tremendous nuisance value in the Middle East, but warplanes cannot save Libya for Italy, nor prevent the success of the British and Abyssinian offensive in Eritrea and Ethiopia. There is a natur-

# The Balkans, In New Turmoil, Are Intended To Be— HITLER'S Stepping Stones

ONCE more the Balkans are becoming a battleground.

Once more the long-suffering Balkan peoples see foreign invaders tramping over lands endowed so richly by Nature that they could be a paradise on earth—if only they could be left in peace for even one century.

What are "the Balkans"? Most of my fellow-countrymen, with their inimitable gift for misunderstanding foreign countries, think vaguely of "the Balkans" as a remote region somewhere in the South of Europe inhabited by incorrigibly warlike peoples.

This is the reputation a tragic and lovely part of Europe has gained from being the place periodically chosen by Great Powers for a battleground.

### Eyes South

To-day Hitler, having tested the waters of our English Channel with his toe for some months, and found them too cold, has turned southward to dreams of conquest in the Mediterranean and Africa.

And the unhappy Balkans, which lie in between, are his first stepping stones.

The Balkans are Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece; the tiny statelet of Albania also counts among them; and Turkey, too, ranks as a Balkan Power because, since Chanak, she still has that one foot in Europe which we fought the last Great War, among other things, to deny her.

Happy we are to-day that she has that one foot on the European side of the Dardanelles, because as long as she is there we have a chance of checking Hitler's southward drive on the edge of Europe.

### Our Chance

We have a chance of keeping a foothold there ourselves, of checkmating his plan to close the Dardanelles and the Black Sea and to bottle-up Russia until he has conquered us and is ready to strike at her.

Incidentally, you should never speak of Hungary as a Balkan Power unless you wish mortally to offend a Hungarian.

This is not so much because Hungary is, in fact, remote from the mountain range which gives the Balkan Peninsula its name, but because Hungary dearly loves to think that she belongs to "the West," its civilisation and its culture.

For centuries the sufferings of Europe have reached their highest point in the Balkans.

A hundred years ago, when they won their freedom, the golden age seemed to have dawned for them.

In practice, the greed and rapacity of Great European Powers have made this last century not much better, for them, than the centuries they

hesitated to pronounce early judgment, but certainly there are indications that Italy, as a militant Power, is nearing the end of her tether. Her forces are in flight on two fronts in the Middle East, and she has been driven halfway out of Albania. It is a disheartening blow to the Axis which is not likely to be recouped even with the assistance of German military ingenuity.



— but skillfully manipulated, they can easily trip up Adolf

endured under the old Turkish rule.

This, and not their own shortcomings, has prevented them from settling down, from building progressive and peaceful States.

This is the reason why a Balkan King has only the ultimate choice between abdication and assassination (I can think of but two or three exceptions to this rule).

In Spain, King Carol of Rumania, his throne already

years ago, wonders to what sort of kingdom he will succeed when he comes of age next year.

The astutest of them all is Boris of Bulgaria, and if any man can come through this new Balkan storm still on his throne, Boris is the man.

Remote from all possible help, as he is, he has only one choice—passively to sit back and allow the Germans to march through his country when Hitler decides to send them, or at Hitler's bidding

too—and we shall have millions of allies in the Balkans.

But for the present their lot is hard. If Greece succumbs the whole of the Balkans pass under German-Italian domination.

Jugoslavia, as you soon will see if Greece falls, will be partitioned.

Hitler will take the northern part, which used to belong to the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and which will give Germany her longed-for port on the Adriatic.

## By DOUGLAS REED

(Distinguished Commentator on European Affairs and Author of "Insanity Fair")

lost, is fighting against Hitler's actively to send his troops and Himmler's attempt to force against Greece.

General Franco to surrender him.

If it should succeed, King Carol's fate would be tragic, for he has never forgiven him to which our island-minded execution, immediately after politicians have sent her.

We have no better friends in the world than the tens of millions of Balkan peasants.

In London, at the Ritz Hotel, you may see King Zog of Albania, with his Queen Geraldine, the American-Hungarian, whom he married, and his little son, who takes his outing in the park with two Albanian guards always in attendance.

Strange tricks our times play on the men who have at one time or another occupied the front of the European stage: King Zog, once a Colonel in the Imperial Austrian Army, sometimes passes on the steps of the Ritz a former Austrian cavalry officer—Prince Starhemberg, now a pilot in General de Gaulle's Air Force.

Not far from the Ritz is Brown's Hotel, which some years ago had a modest and recurring guest—the present King George of Greece, who now sits on his throne in Athens for the second time and watches the Italian invader striking towards his capital.

"Can the British help me to hold on to part of Greece, or am I booked to return to Brown's Hotel, there to hope for a second restoration?" These are the thoughts that all King George's mind to-day.

In Yugoslavia, young King Peter, his father murdered six people of this country need it,

### Can We Do It?

Mussolini will take most of the Dalmatian coast, while a tiny Serbia would be left in mock independence.

Bulgaria would pass under German domination as effectively as Hungary.

Then Turkey would be given the choice of fighting or yielding, as some others have yielded, and, with Hitler coming down through Spain to Gibraltar and through Syria towards Egypt the battle for the Mediterranean, for Africa and the British Empire would begin in earnest.

The Balkans are but stepping-stones—but, if we could manipulate them skillfully, they could still trip Hitler up.

## Carol Says 'Lupescu Is My Wife'

TO save Magda Lupescu from being sent back to Rumania, where she would face a charge of complicity in murder, ex-King Carol is understood to have told the Spanish authorities that he is married to her.

The wedding is said to have taken place in London some years ago.

The Rumanian Government is asking for Mme. Lupescu's extradition, claiming that she is implicated in the murder of the Iron Guard leader Codreanu.

Accompanied by four secretaries, three valets, and two maids, Carol and Lupescu have a twelve-roomed suite in Madrid's Palace Hotel, overlooking the Plaza del Neptuno.

Mme. Lupescu has not left her suite. Those who have seen her say she is haggard, and spends a large part of her time weeping.



## More Raffle Prizes 50 Bags Of Flour Donated

A wireless set, 50 bags of flour, wine, beer and cigarettes are among the latest prizes donated to the Bomber Fund raffle.

Yesterday's donations were as follows:

G.E.C. Overseas Ten Radio Receiver, value \$550, donated by the General Electric Co. of China, Ltd.  
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## Nords Won't Work In Germany

### Call For Volunteers Fails

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—German efforts to recruit an army of workers in Norway—20,000 is the figure mentioned—have failed, according to information reaching London.

An official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare stated to-day that the Germans had planned to transfer the workers via Sweden. Appeals made by the Quisling authorities had met with singularly little success and the Norwegian Trade Union organizations had refused to co-operate in the enterprise.

The first 5,000 volunteers had been scheduled to leave for Germany in the middle of January but did not do so because of the determined opposition of the workers.

Only about 1,000 men but the Norwegian capital failed to provide even 200. This failure to attract Norwegians to German employment has been brought about in the face of severe unemployment in Norway.

## PRECAUTION AFTER BABY ARRIVES

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# Insecurity Of Future Stressed By Aged Japanese Statesman

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Domei).—The resolution urging the strengthening of Japan's wartime structure in view of the mounting world crisis was moved by the 78-year-old veteran Parliamentarian, Mr Chuji Machida, former president of the defunct Minseito Party.

He declared at the general session of the House of Representatives this afternoon that the anti-Japanese nature of Britain and the United States is becoming increasingly evident and by applying economic pressure to Japan and assisting Chiang Kai-shek they are attempting to lead the two Oriental nations to mutual attrition.

"These hostile Powers are utterly under-estimating and judging wrongly Japan's actual resources," the statesman charged. "Japan's actual strength, is far from yielding to such pressure. We are fully convinced that sufficient materials to provide for a long war have already been prepared."

"Thanks to the successive victories achieved by the Imperial forces, resources in China are now secured and their development coupled with the development of Manchuria is now steadily progressing."

"If our people bear hardships, render devoted service to the State, simplify their modes of living and go forward with the great constructive task, all difficulties will be overcome and a glorious future will be opened for the Empire. It is the traditional spirit of our glorious Empire to reject rigorously any Powers attempting to threaten the Imperial right of existence."

### Expand Production

"In order to complete a highly organized national defence State it is most urgent to expand production. While we must realize that the life of the people may further decline according to the developments of the situation, the people are prepared to make any sacrifices if required for the State. Since they are all the loyal subjects of the Throne, the administrator should endeavour not to see any member of the nation taking an improper place."

"As the emergency situation progresses there are rising voices criticising the bureaucrats. While it is also most necessary to reform the official service system, the Premier, Prince Konoye, is called upon to deal with the situation with a firm determination and to execute his duty in the spirit of exhausting one's efforts until death. We also pledge ourselves to serve the 'Diet' to the utmost of our abilities and thereby set at ease His Majesty's anxiety."

As the veteran Parliamentarian descended from the rostrum in the midst of rousing cheers, the Premier mounted the rostrum and declared: "The Government fully endorse the resolution which has just been explained. It is indeed a matter for congratulation for the State that such a resolution designed to effectuate national unity has been approved in view of the grave situation facing the nation. While the Government is contemplating all possible measures for meeting the recent internal and international situation, it will endeavour to act up to the spirit of the present measure."

The resolution then was carried by a unanimous standing vote.

After a brief recess, the motion to forgo questioning of the Diet speeches by Ministers was presented and approved by the House which adjourned at 4.20 p.m.

### Interpellations Banned

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (UP).—The House to-day adopted a resolution to support the Government and to strengthen the national wartime structure in order to meet the grave situation and also to abandon interpellation of the Cabinet ministers' opening speeches, which are a feature of the sessions.

This is expected to start to-morrow, when the Government policies are scheduled for questioning, but at a sharply curtailed rate compared to the past. It is indicated that the

Peers will also curtail interpellations.

### Terms of Resolution

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The resolution which was passed by the plenary session house, reads "whereas the international situation grows tenser and tenser every day, whereas our nation is always solicitous for the maintenance of world peace, we are firmly determined to frustrate all attempts to violate our living sphere. "Whereas this grave situation calls for the strengthening of our war organization promptly, be it resolved therefore, that all policies and administrative measures of government be concentrated on attaining this object, and that the Diet bend its efforts to upholding the Government with the entire nation going forward to meet the emergency situation."

## EMBARGO REMOVAL Merely A Gesture To Soviet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The lifting of a moral embargo on the export of aeroplanes and air equipment to the Soviet Union is not likely to affect the form of war supplies to Britain, according to well-informed quarters here.

No orders Russia could place could be fulfilled before 1943, it then. The lifting of the embargo is little more than a "fine gesture." Apart from the moral embargo, there are also a number of other restrictions on the shipment of materials necessary for defence needs and connected with plans to turn United States industry into an arsenal for Britain.

Asked at the press conference whether the material shipped to Russia might reach Germany, Mr Cordell Hull replied, "I think you will find that the usual interest of this government in that phase of the situation is being taken."

## U.S. Supreme Court Judge Retiring

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Mr Justice McReynolds, of the United States Supreme Court, has notified President Roosevelt that he will retire on February 1.

Mr Justice McReynolds has served on the Court for 20 years. He was the only judge whom the Administration described as "conservative."

His retirement gives President Roosevelt an opportunity to make his sixth appointment to the nine-man court.

The Attorney-General, Mr Robert H. Jackson, has frequently been mentioned as the next possible appointment.

## Greeks In Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Greek Government has ordered the mobilisation of Greek citizens throughout Egypt between the ages of 20 and 45.

The formation of an Army Corps named the "Hellenic Column in Egypt" will follow.

## HOLLAND LOOKS TO FUTURE Buying Food Stocks

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Netherlands Government has made arrangements for the purchase and storage of food and materials for the ultimate benefit of the people of the Netherlands.

When the Netherlands Government was forced to leave the country in order to continue its functions on foreign soil, the Netherlands were left with ample stores of food and raw materials. Nazi exploitation of the Netherlands and its people, according to Dutch circles in London, soon reduced the available stocks to a minimum, and serious hardship is now being experienced by the Dutch populace.

Queen Wilhelmina has just appointed the Netherlands commercial expert, Jonkhoeve van Stolk, to construct all purchases for the Netherlands Ministry of Economic Affairs.

A purchasing office will be opened in New York and goods will be purchased from the Netherlands East Indies, the British Empire and America so that the Netherlands has sufficient food and materials available to start the replenishment of Holland at the first opportunity.

## Burma-China Railway

### Questions In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr Hamilton Kerr asked Mr L. S. Amery (Secretary for India and Burma) whether, in view of the possibility of the proposed Burma-Yunnan road for transport of Lancashire textiles into China after the war, he will suggest to the Burmese Government the desirability of preparing a section of this railway leading from the head of the present Burmese Railway to the Chinese frontier.

Mr Amery replied that the problems which the project of the Burma-Yunnan railway presents are receiving the urgent consideration of the Government.

The engineering difficulties are very great and so is the question of supply in the present conditions of material required.

## Bermuda Sea Plane Bases

### Leased To America

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Two islands in the Bermuda group are to be leased to the United States for 99 years for use as flying boat bases. They are Morgan and Tucker Islands.

The Colonial Office states that when it was announced that an agreement had been reached on certain sites to be leased to the United States for bases in Bermuda in the British West Indies, it was stated in regard to Bermuda that the United States had also asked for the use of one or more islands in the Great Sound.

Agreement was reached regarding the latter.

## BUSY WEEK FOR K.C.C. Players Chosen For Holiday Matches

K. C. C. cricket teams will play four matches during the week-end and Chinese New Year.

On Saturday, the senior team is at home to the University in a league match, and will be represented by: E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, D. Hunt, F. R. Zimmern, A. Zimmern, F. J. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, Scorer, T. W. Carr; Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

The second eleven play a league match against Club de Recreo at the Recreo, and the side will be: S. A. Gray, R. Baldwin, E. Curtis, K. M. Feilston and B. D. Lay. Twelfth man, R. Leigh; Scorer, J. W. Bertram; Umpire, R. Leigh.

The K. C. C. 1st XI have a two-day match on Monday and Tuesday next against the Hongkong Cricket Club on the latter's ground, play starting at 11 a.m. both days. The visitors will field the following team: E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, D. Hunt, F. R. Zimmern, A. Zimmern, F. J. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, Scorer, T. W. Carr; Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

On Monday the second eleven will be at home to the Royal Engineers, and will be represented by: S. A. Gray, R. Baldwin, E. Curtis, K. M. Feilston and B. D. Lay. Twelfth man, R. Leigh; Scorer, J. W. Bertram; Umpire, R. Leigh.

### Indian R. C. Teams

The following will represent the Indian R.C. on Saturday: First Eleven v. Recreo (League, at home): K. Nazarin (Captain), M. el Arculli, A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, M. P. Madar, A. R. Kitchell, S. A. Ismail, K. M. Rumjahn, A. R. H. Ismail, A. R. Minu and A. N. Other. Second Eleven v. H.M.S. Tamar (Friendly, at King's Park): M. R. Abbas (Captain), A. H. Ismail, A. R. Saffell, M. I. Freeman, T. Ali, F. A. Curran, M. B. Hassan, A. el Arculli, M. A. Wahab, A. M. Rumjahn and A. Ebrahim.

### Craigengower Teams

The following will represent Craigengower in league and friendly cricket matches on Saturday: First v. Civil Service, league (away): E. Zimmern (Capt.), P. J. Bilmoria, A. B. Hanson, J. Hulse, A. Hunt, K. Ismail, E. A. Lee, E. J. Mitchell, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza, J. L. Youngs and Reserve: T. H. Edgar.

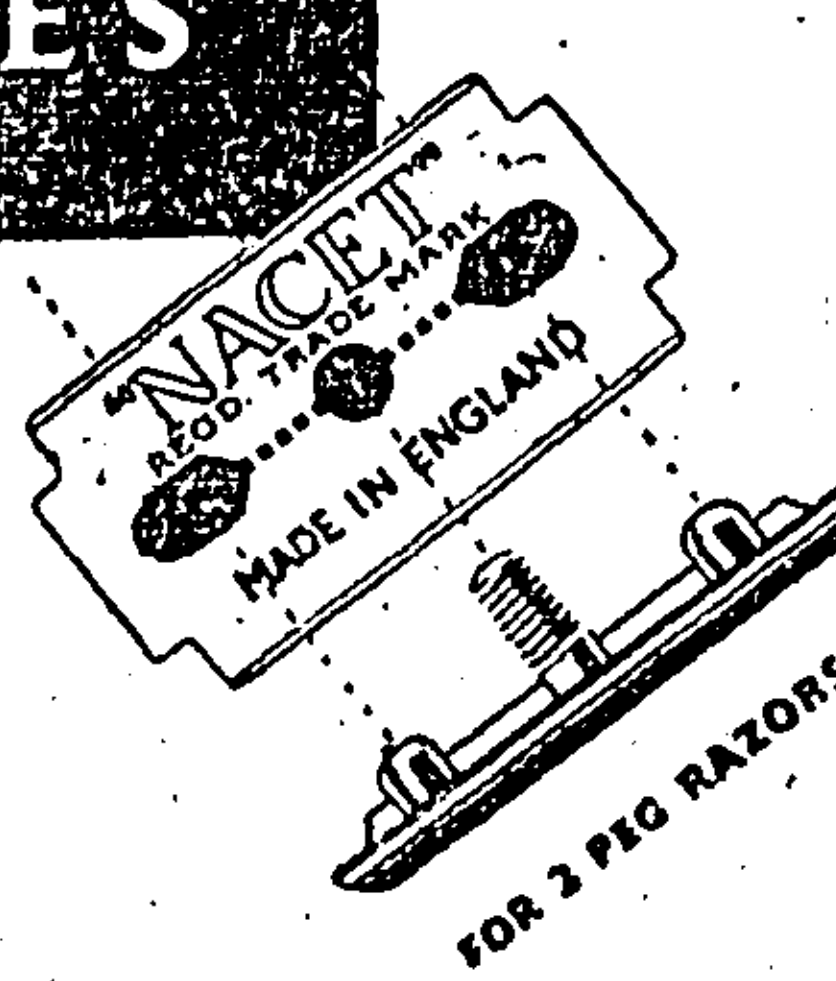
Second v. Army, friendly (home): A. M. Omar (Capt.), N. Broadbridge, E. Kinnell, M. I. Freeman, C. W. Lewis, W. Leonard, S. Leonard, T. Lock, O. M. Omar, U. M. Omar, W. K. Way. Reserve: L. Chon.

### Recreo's Junior Team

The following will represent Recreo against Knowlton in a second division league match on Saturday: E. A. R. Alves, P.M.N. da Silva Jr. II, A. Barros, A.J.M. Prata, A. E. Noronha, S. H. Carvalho, B. T. Gossio, J. A. Soares, F. J. Remedios, M. d'Almada Remedios, A. H. d'Almada Remedios.



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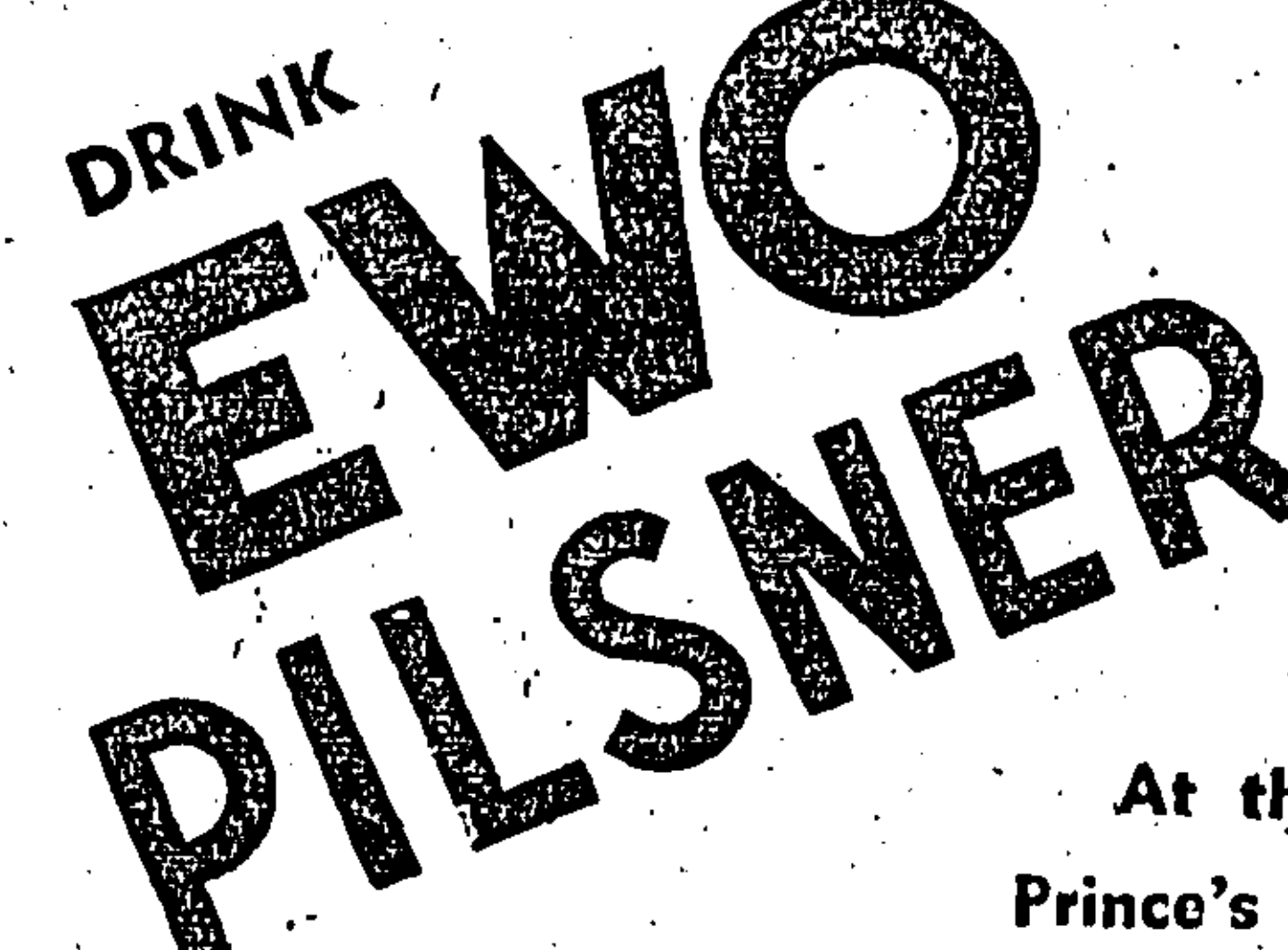
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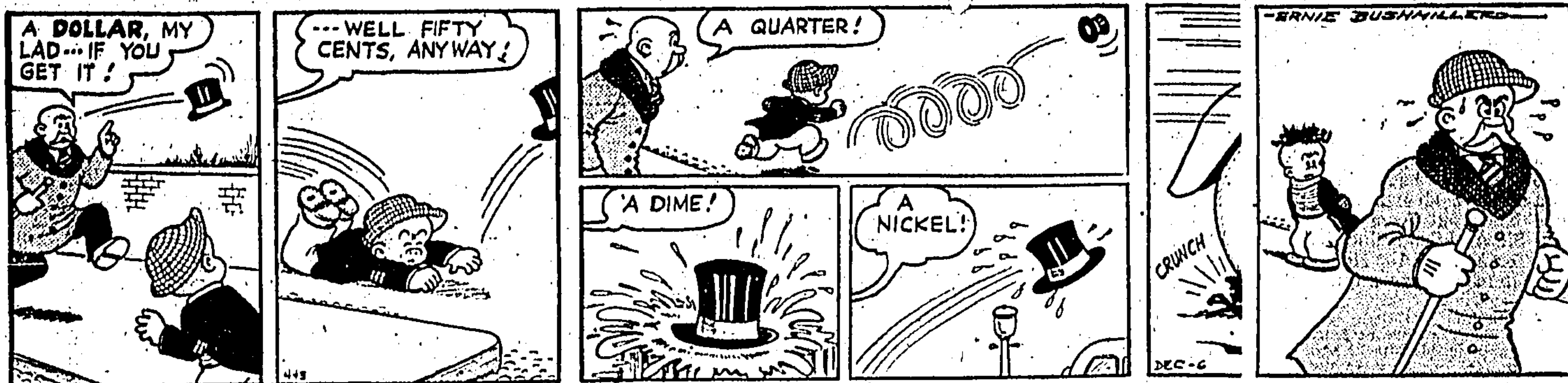
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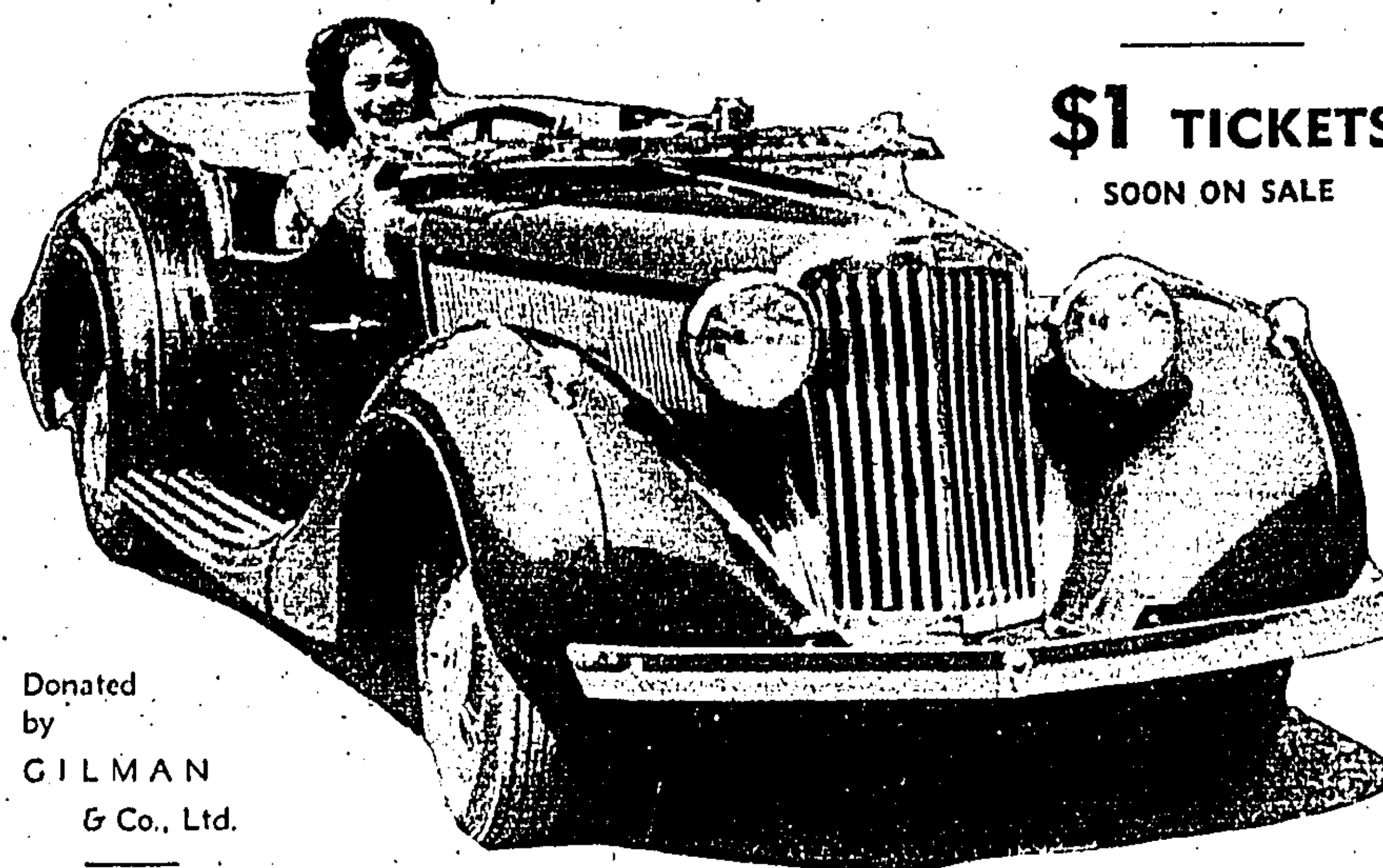


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## Churchill Explains Cabinet Machinery

London, Jan. 22. Mr Churchill to-day in the House of Commons submitted briefly the main ideas he had formed with much thought and some experience upon the machinery for conducting the war.

He was replying to the debate which opened yesterday by Mr Bevin on National Manpower.

The Prime Minister did not take the view that Parliament, with its debates and criticisms, was a drag and burden on the Government. On the contrary, debates on large issues were of immense value to the nation's life-blood, and of great assistance to Government.

In the present circumstances, the War Cabinet, composed of four or five men free from departmental duties, would not give the best results. The present War Cabinet, consisting of eight, held a great many key posts, and he thought it better they should work that way, than to have five ministers without contact with departments. He could assure the House that the power of these great departments was in many cases irresistible.

If it ever became necessary to appoint a Minister of Defence who was not also Prime Minister, then that Minister must be in effect First Lord of the Admiralty and also Secretary of State for War and Air.

Not Dictator Country  
"We do not live in a dictator country where people can be brutally overruled, but in a country where Cabinet governs, subject to continual superintendence of action and correction by Parliament."

Mr Churchill referred to the recent announcement of articulation of Government committees. These he compared to honourable men working for common objects and they could make their departments carry out a decision with alacrity. An important executive, for example, consisted of the heads of five great departments, namely Supply, Aircraft Production, Controller's department of the Admiralty, Food Ministry and the Board of Trade.

"If those men cannot know how to bring in the greatest volume of importance, we would be very much disappointed and surprised. Similar principles inspired the creation of a production executive which consists of three supply ministers, who also constitute a committee regulating purchases in the United States. So far they have given satisfaction to all concerned and some very important practical decisions have been taken in complete agreement."

There is no more formidable effective organisation of power than the union of four or five consenting minds, each of whom has at his disposal full and necessary powers entrusted to him.

"I accept the responsibility of making sure that the general policy of the War Cabinet is correctly interpreted by these executives. In no other way can business in wartime proceed with the necessary dispatch. It is up to the Minister charged with the study of post war problems of reconstruction. It is not his task to make a new world, comprising a new heaven and a new earth, and no doubt a new hell (loud laughter)."

Practical Plan  
"I am sure that would be necessary in any balanced system (renewed laughter). His task is to plan a large practical system which is indispensable if our society is to move forward as it must. There will be four or five great spheres of action, wherein a practical immediate advance can be made if we can continue on the morrow of victory that unity which we have used to bring victory."

"British losses in the present war so far, has been around 60,000. It is a terrible figure, but far less than the life lost in a single protracted battle on the Western Front in the last war. While the army is growing and the air force expanding, it will be the munitions factories and agriculture rather than the fighting services which will in the next five or six months make a demand for manpower."

"The peak of our war efforts has not yet been reached. My mind goes back to a few weeks ago when the critics were crying out about our

inaction against Italy. I endured those taunts silently, because I knew that large and daring measures had already been taken which now have resulted in the capture of Sidi Barrani, Bardia, and it may be while I am speaking Tobruk and all it contains are in our hands."

"Apart from the Libyan victories, extremely important developments are taking place both on the frontiers of Abyssinia and Eritrea which may themselves produce fruitful and extremely pregnant results."

"This great nation is getting into its war stride. I have no doubt that the overwhelming majority of the House would give its best tribute of encouragement as well as its dose of correction, and will lend its own heaven of loyal strength to forward matters which are now taking place. (Cheers)"

The debate terminated without a vote being taken.—Reuter.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued yesterday, says: There was a big increase in the volume of business done for the short session to-day, and with the exception of Banks and Watsons prices in general were slightly off with Cements registering the lowest level at \$17 3/4.

**Buyers**  
Canton Ins. \$210  
Union Ins. \$405  
H.K. Fire Ins. \$105  
Providents \$5.70  
Hotels \$3.55  
Realities \$3.75  
Lights & Rts \$3.30  
Telephones "O" \$25.25  
Cements \$17.50  
Dairy Farms \$19  
Watsons \$11  
Entertainments \$7  
Constructions "O" \$1.00

**Sellers**  
H.K. Banks \$1,410  
Wharves \$98  
Docks "O" \$18.60  
Danks 4% Debentures \$100  
Realities \$3.95  
Star Ferries \$64  
Cements \$18  
Ropes \$8.35  
Dairy Farms \$19.50  
Watsons \$11.15  
Vibro Pilling \$7.70

**Sales**  
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% Loan (1934) 92 1/4  
H.K. Banks \$1,410  
Providents \$5.70  
Trams \$18.45  
Lights & Rts \$3.40  
Electric "O" \$40.50  
Cements \$17.00/75  
Watsons \$11/11.5

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A total of 1,549,731.44 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:  
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## NOMURA LEAVING JAPANESE AMBASSADOR FOR UNITED STATES

Tokyo, Jan. 22. Admiral Kichiasaburo Nomura, Ambassador designate to Washington, accompanied by Mr Kaname Wakasugi his adviser is sailing from Yokohama to-morrow afternoon aboard the Kamakura Maru en route to his post.  
Also leaving on the ship is Mr Tameo Yamao, newly-appointed Japanese Minister to Columbia—Domel.



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## Shooting At Baled-Out Airmen

Dozen Enemy Incidents LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

Twelve attacks have been made on British airmen after they had baled out from their machines. Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary for Air, told the House of Commons in reply to a question.

Sir Archibald said that there was firm evidence to show that at least twelve such contemptible attacks had been made and in four of them the airmen may have been killed. Asked whether in view of the fact that such a practice was repugnant to airmen of whatever nationality, some representation might be made through a neutral government to the German and Italian governments, Sir Archibald said that he was not hopeful of such representations.

## To Aid Victims Of War

The first of three charity dances for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of war victims was held in the Paramount Ballroom on Sunday and realised \$1,726.00. The dances are sponsored by the Hongkong Branch of the National Women's Relief Association and organised by the six leading embassies in the Colony.

The second dance, which was scheduled to take place at the Capital Ballroom on Saturday has been postponed until February 9; and the third dance, to be held in the China Emporium Ballroom, will take place on February 2 from 5 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

All the donors participating in the dances donate their time and services free.

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Food states that all oranges produced in the British West Indies during this year will be bought by the British Government.

## LATE NEWS

### Fourth Victim In Landslide

It has now been definitely ascertained that Ip Wai-sun, husband of the woman caretaker at the Seventh Day Adventist Mission, was in the house which was buried this morning in a landslide.

Miss Irene Ho, sister of the woman caretaker, who is employed by Mrs. C. F. Larson, wife of the Mission padre, had a narrow escape. She usually visits her sister each morning, but to-day arrived a little later than usual and only just after the landslide had occurred.

Nearby residents say that they heard shrieks coming from the buried house just as the retaining wall above tumbled down and crashed into the building.

At 10.30 fire brigade workers and P.W.D. coolies had cleared away the debris, including huge granite rocks, and had reached the level of the buried house, but could see no signs of the building. It is believed that the house has probably submerged in the soft ground as a result of the tremendous weight and force of the landslide.

## Imperial Troops In Streets Of Tobruk

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period, more than 300,000 tons of water was landed," the report added.

Italian Admission ROME, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's communique stated that the British troops had penetrated the line of strongholds in the eastern sector of Tobruk after bitter fighting throughout the day.

British naval guns shelled Tobruk during the entire night, after which British aviation unceasingly supported the daylight attack.

The attacking British troops consisted of three Australian divisions, reinforced with two regiments of heavy artillery, two armoured divisions and one French motorized formation.

## STOCK EXCHANGE TEMPORARY SPIRIT

RESULTS FROM TOBRUK LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Sentiment on the Stock Exchange was cheered by the news from Tobruk but an early promise of the resumption of activity failed to materialise.

Gilt-edged holdings occasionally strengthened but industrial and oil failed to show any definite trend. Among foreign bonds, Brazilians were undecided while Far Easterns, especially Japanese, tended to go lower.

Wall Street was quiet.

## French Council Meets

VICHY, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Council of Ministers met for two hours to-day with Marshal Petain presiding, and it is believed they considered the hostilities in Thailand.

## Kweichow Cotton

KWEIYANG, Jan. 22 (Central News).—A cotton crop totalling more than 160,000 piculs was harvested last year in Kweichow. Cotton was planted in a total area of 6,800 mow in 30 districts of the province.

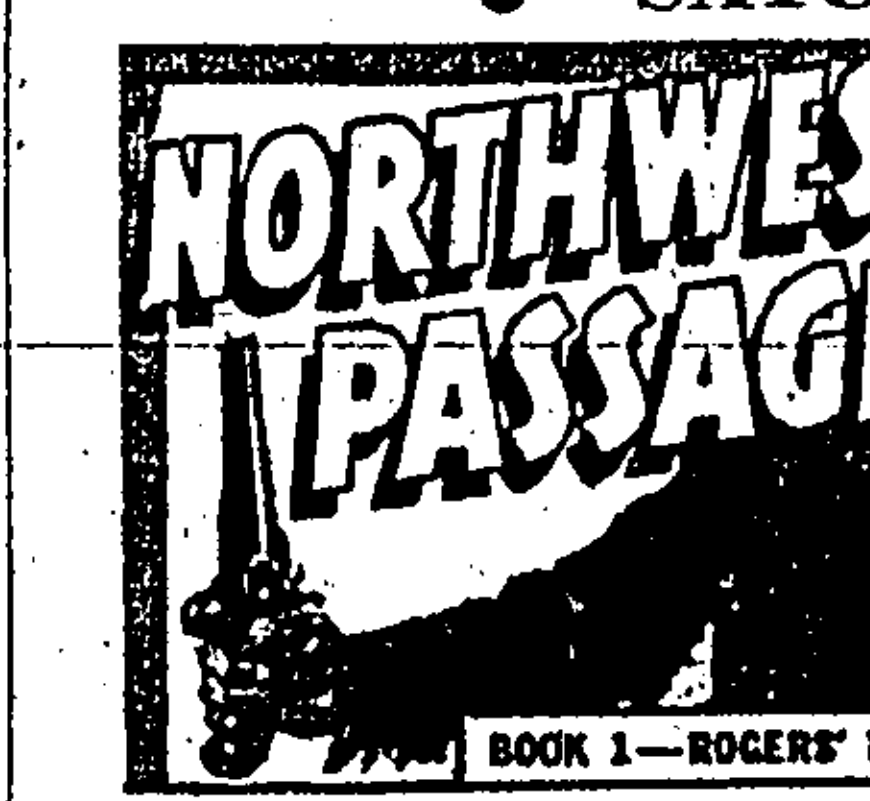
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## Exchange Of Civilian Prisoners

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

"In view of the privations suffered by women and children of Palestinian families detained in Germany" the British government is endeavouring to expedite the exchange of such persons with German women and children at present detained in Palestine.

Action has already been taken, Mr. G. H. Hall, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, told the House of Commons and it was hoped as a result of the good offices of the United States to effect such an exchange on a reciprocal basis. Negotiations are somewhat protracted but they are going on as speedily as possible.

## American Sub Chasers And Small Craft Voted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

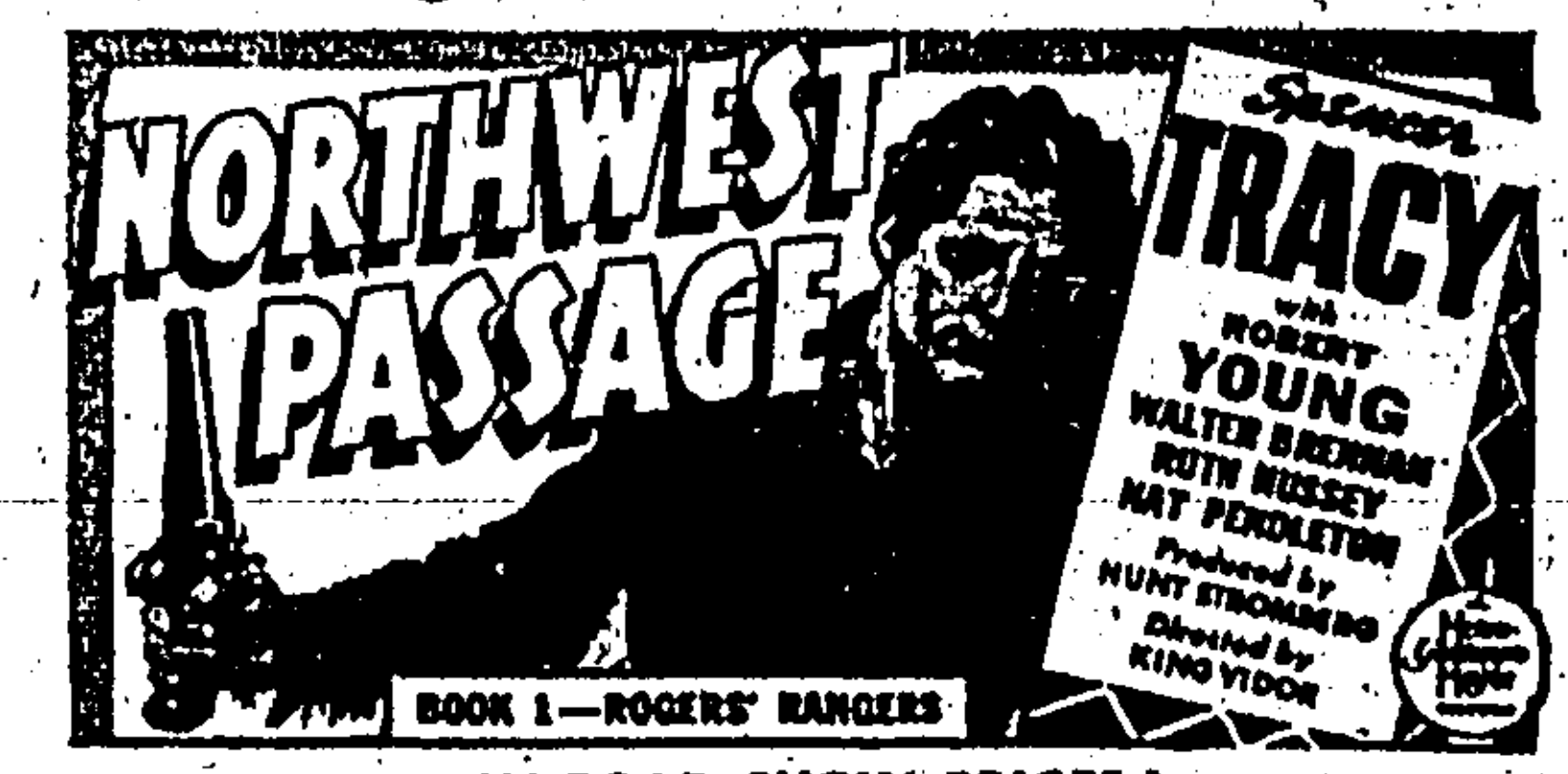
The House of Representatives has passed the Bill authorising the expenditure of £227,000,000 for the construction of 400 submarine chasers and other small craft and the expansion of shipbuilding facilities. The measure now goes to the Senate.

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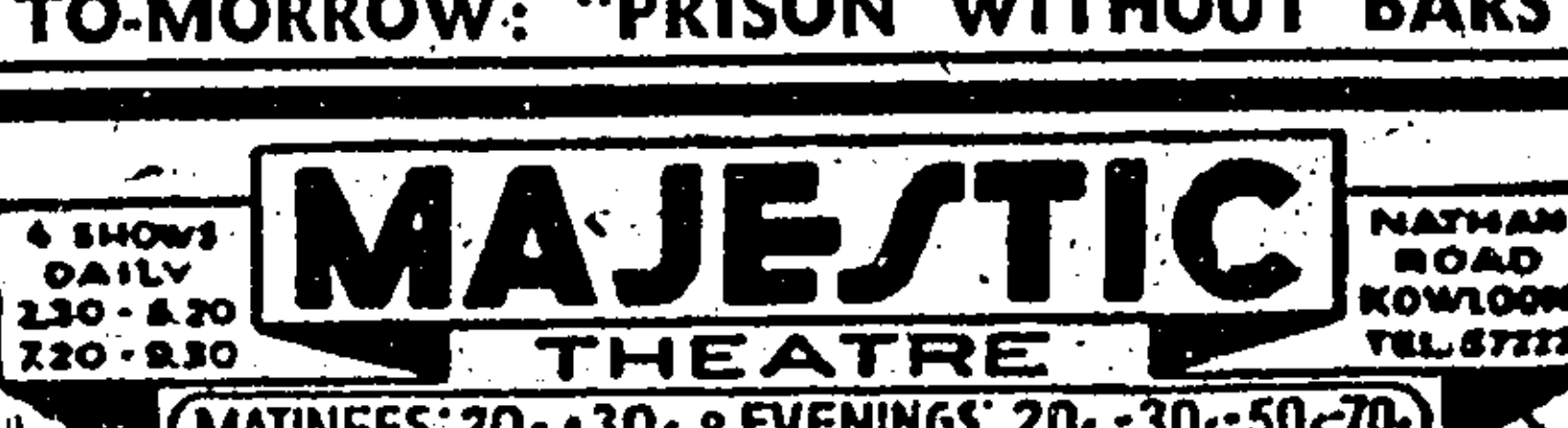
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# IMPERIAL TROOPS NOW IN THE STREETS OF TOBRUK

## Marshal Graziani Loses Two-Thirds Of His Vaunted Libyan Army

CAIRO, JAN. 22 (REUTER).—IMPERIAL TROOPS ARE NOW IN THE ACTUAL STREETS OF TOBRUK ALTHOUGH FIGHTING CONTINUES ON THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE OUTER PERIMETER.

TOBRUK CONTAINED AT LEAST ONE DIVISION WITH A SMALL ELEMENT OF ANOTHER DIVISION, AND ALSO PERMANENT GARRISON TROOPS AND HEAVY ADDITIONAL ARTILLERY.

### 1,000 KILLED IN STREET WAR

#### Rumania In A Ferment

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUDAPEST, Jan. 22 (UP).—It is reported but not yet confirmed that more than 1,000 persons have been killed in the three cornered fighting between the Iron Guards, the Rumanian army and the Germans.

### DANGER IN PACIFIC

#### Chinese Speaks

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—H. D. Liem, London correspondent of "Central News," graphically addressed the China Campaign Committee luncheon gathering to-day on Japan's aims in the Pacific.

He showed how Japan's position in Indo-China, Hainan Island, the Bonins, Caroline and Marshall Islands, disorganizes the British line of defence between Singapore and Australia.

Japan is now planning to intervene in the undeclared war between Indo-China and Thailand with the object of getting possession of the whole of Indo-China and from there extending her control to Thailand, and especially the Kra peninsula, for long the object of her desire.

#### First Line of Defence

It must also be remembered that the Philippine Islands attain full independence by 1946. Japan has been working for many years to establish a controlling influence in the islands. While the ultimate fate of the Pacific depends upon Britain emerging victorious over Germany, Mr Liem urged that the Dutch East Indies and China constitute the first line of defence in the Far East and everything possible should be done to help China.

There are still some people in England, he said, who fancy that the Sino-Japanese war could be settled by a compromise. Such a peace would be only temporary as the Chinese are fighting for the fundamental principle of right and justice and on these issues they will never give in.

### Destroyers Cross The Atlantic

#### U.S. Ships For Britain

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The 50 destroyers traded to Britain were now "on the other side," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, told a press conference to-day.

He said that there was one possible exception, namely that of the destroyer which was damaged in collision after being transferred; but, Colonel Knox added, even this "may be over there now."

Replying to a question, Colonel Knox denied that the British were asking for American cruisers of the Wichita type. "As a matter of fact, they are not asking for any more of our ships," he said.

With the mopping up of Tobruk forces, Marshal Graziani has now lost two-thirds of the total Italian forces which were in Libya when operations first started on December 9.

The forces eliminated comprise an equivalent of eight Blackshirt or Metropolitan divisions and three Libyan divisions.

#### R.A.F. GIVE FINE SUPPORT

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Supporting the Army attack, R.A.F. bombers raided Tobruk during the night of January 20, states an R.A.F. communique.

Bombs were dropped on anti-aircraft batteries, two of which ceased firing, and on the cross-roads north-east of El Gubbi landing ground.

Violent explosions occurred among the buildings.

British fighter patrols were very active throughout the day but no contact was made with the enemy.

In Albania, military objectives in El Bassan were raided yesterday. High explosive and incendiary bombs fell within the target area. Military buildings and a railway line were hit. There were violent explosions close to the railway.

Anti-aircraft opposition was encountered and enemy fighters were active.

#### Massawa Raided

In Italian East Africa, Massawa was raided on the night of January 20, the power station and a large factory being the particular targets.

The railway station at Aisha was attacked yesterday, the bombs straddling the tracks. A direct hit was registered on a large building.

Troop-laden lorries were machine-gunned near Adad.

Several fires were started at Burve during a night raid on camps and forts.

Rhodesian aircraft machine-gunned enemy motor transport on the road between Koru and Bisha, causing considerable damage.

South African Air Force planes successfully raided Javello and scored hits on enemy bombers.

The British aircraft returned safely from all operations.

#### The Navy's Part

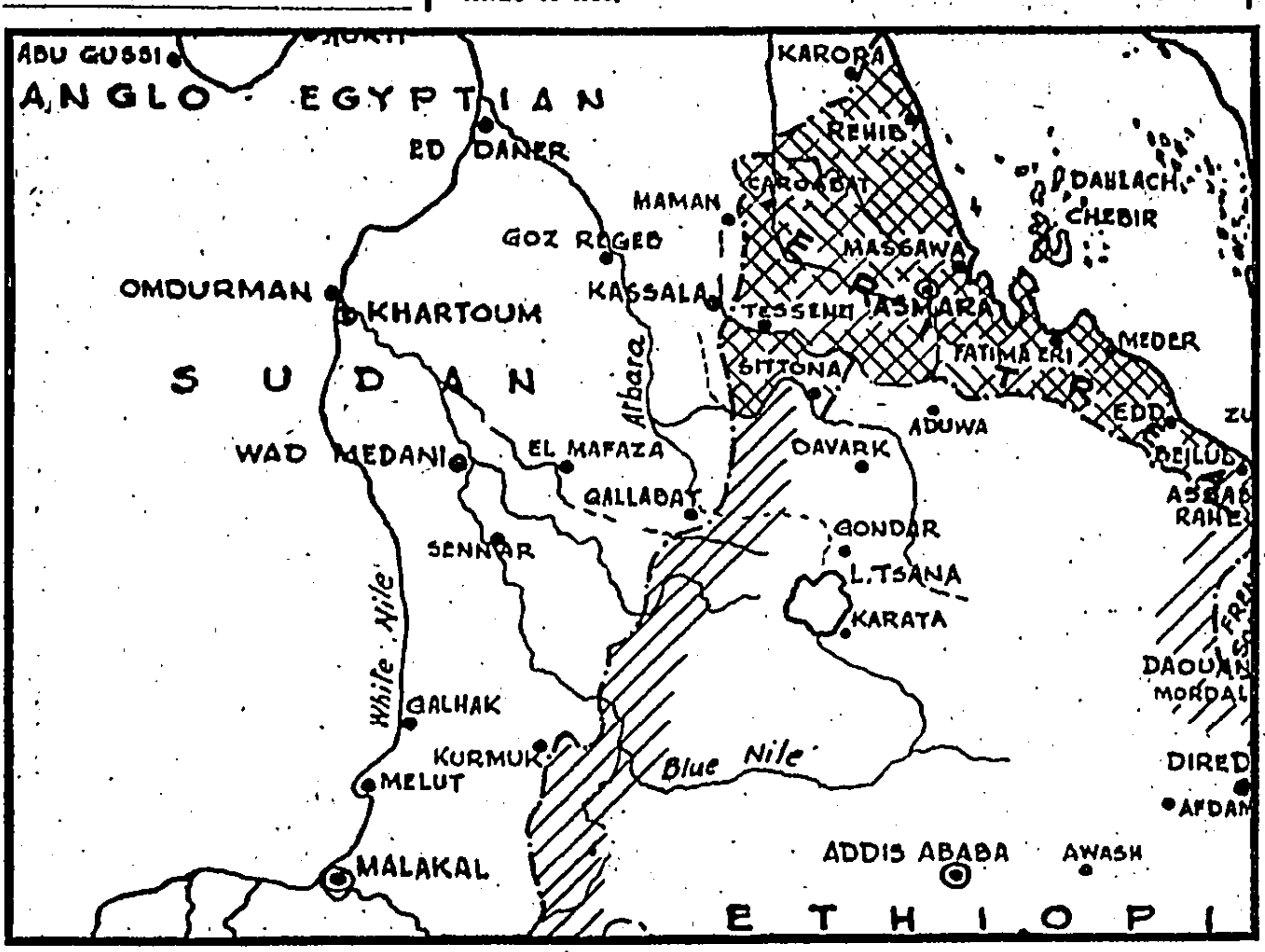
LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that units of the Mediterranean fleet have removed over 50,000 prisoners, and many of the captured tanks which are in condition to be repaired, from the Western Desert to main British bases.

The fleet suffered no losses and the navy supplied the advanced troops with all their water prior to the occupation of Bardia. In one short

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### BRITISH ADVANCE INTO ERITREA

This map reveals where the British offensive in the Sudan and against Eritrea is taking place. Allied forces have now made considerable advance into Italian territory from Kassala, and latest reports say that the Italians continue to flee.



## FEROCIOUS RAID ON KUNMING

### Fearful Casualties Are High

By John Morris

KUNMING, Jan. 22 (UP).—After almost three weeks respite, Japanese planes bombed the centre of Kunming ferociously early this afternoon, causing heavy loss of life, but hitting no military objectives. It is unofficially estimated there were 200 casualties, many of them fatal, among the men, women and children who took refuge in the open spaces east of the railway station.

Due to a strong west wind, all the bombs fell short by such a small margin that the Hotel Du Commerce, from where I watched the bombers approach, suffered many broken windows and three shrapnel holes in the roof. Plaster fell in most of the rooms of the hotel and shrapnel rained in the courtyard; however all the staff and guests took shelter safely during the actual bombardment.

Japanese dive bombers attacked homes nearby which suffered heavily, many of them catching fire.

It is feared there were many casualties, although official figures are not yet available.

#### Raid On Chungking

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central News).—Japanese aircraft yesterday made another bombing attack on Chungking.

Nineteen planes came over from Hsueh in two squadrons. The first squadron of nine planes dropped bombs in the western outskirts, killing and wounding eight civilians while the second squadron of ten planes circled over a highway station west of the city.

#### Kunming Attacked

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central News).—Kunming was again raided by three waves of Japanese planes yesterday.

A Japanese scouting plane first made a reconnaissance flight along the Chinese section of the Burma Road, going as far as Kunming. Shortly afterwards the first wave of nine machines came to attack Kunming. Bombs were dropped in the southwest suburbs.

The second wave of three pursuit planes circled over the city for about 15 minutes. After their departure, a third wave of eight bombers arrived. They dumped explosives in the south suburbs, killing and wounding about ten civilians and demolishing a number of houses.

### Destroyer Lost

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the destroyer Hyperion has been lost. The announcement says: "H.M.S. Hyperion sustained damage by a torpedo or mine which rendered her incapable of stemming and she was subsequently sunk by our forces."

### TURKEY STANDS READY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Ankara Radio, replying to reports that the Germans now concentrated in Rumania may not be used against the Greeks or other Balkan States declared: "The bulk of the Turkish army is concentrated in Thrace and has already taken up its stand in the region where there is most danger. Turkey is waiting fully prepared."

### Leap From 8-Storey Building

#### Shanghai Suicides

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (UP).—Shanghai's usual wave of pre-Chinese New Year suicides by debt-ridden individuals, started to-day with three deaths, the most spectacular of which was an eight-storey dive by a well-dressed Chinese, whose fall was broken by a trolley wire just before striking the pavement.

The jumper was apparently not badly hurt but was taken to hospital for treatment of minor head cuts. The attendants congratulated him on his narrow escape and one hour later he suddenly died.

The man could not be identified, the only thing in his pockets being one pawn ticket.

He dived off the roof of the Sun Company Department Store on Nanjing Road, in the heart of the International Settlement.

## Italian Retreat In Eritrea Continues

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Italian retreat in Eritrea is continuing, according to the latest reports received here.

No serious fighting has occurred but the British forces are in close pursuit and are harrying the Italian rear.

The enemy are expected to offer resistance at Agordat, a railhead some 80 miles from the frontier, where presumably they will occupy prepared positions.

#### G. H. Q. Communique

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states: "East of Metemmi the enemy is also steadily giving ground in the face of our continued pressure."

"In Kenya, enemy detachments which have been established on our side of the frontier since the outbreak of hostilities, are everywhere being driven back by intense patrol activities."

"In the Sudan, on the Kassala sector, pursuit of the Italian forces continues, and they have now withdrawn over 40 miles eastward from the frontier."

#### Advance In Eritrea

The withdrawal of the Italians into the highlands of Eritrea has left the British to take the initiative in a 50-mile advance over ground which undoubtedly has been prepared with mines and booby traps.

After their defeat in the Western Desert, the Italians are taking no risks and at the last minute are hurriedly endeavouring to withdraw both material and troops in order to shorten their lines of communications.

This withdrawal has been dictated by the gathering of strong British forces along the Sudan-Abyssinian border.

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## Indo-China-Thai War Settlement Forecast

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Jan. 23 (Domei).—A peaceful settlement of the border dispute between French Indo-China and Thailand is near, the newspaper "Asahi" reports in a special dispatch from Bangkok.

The report states that it is expected that French Indo-China will agree to re-demarcating the Luangphrabang region in northern Laos and other border areas along the Mekong River.

**Japanese Mediation**

HANOL, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Japanese representatives have interviewed a

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## Four Are Buried In Valley Landslide

Four people, including a baby, are buried beneath the ruins of a house which collapsed this morning when a landslide occurred during the heavy rain and thunderstorm, hurling what is estimated to be 40,000 tons of earth upon the little stone structure.

The stone house occupied by the woman caretaker of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission in Ventris Road, received the full brunt of the landslide. A retaining wall between 40 and 50 feet high gave way during the height of the rainstorm and crashed down on the little dwelling, which is situated behind the Mission.

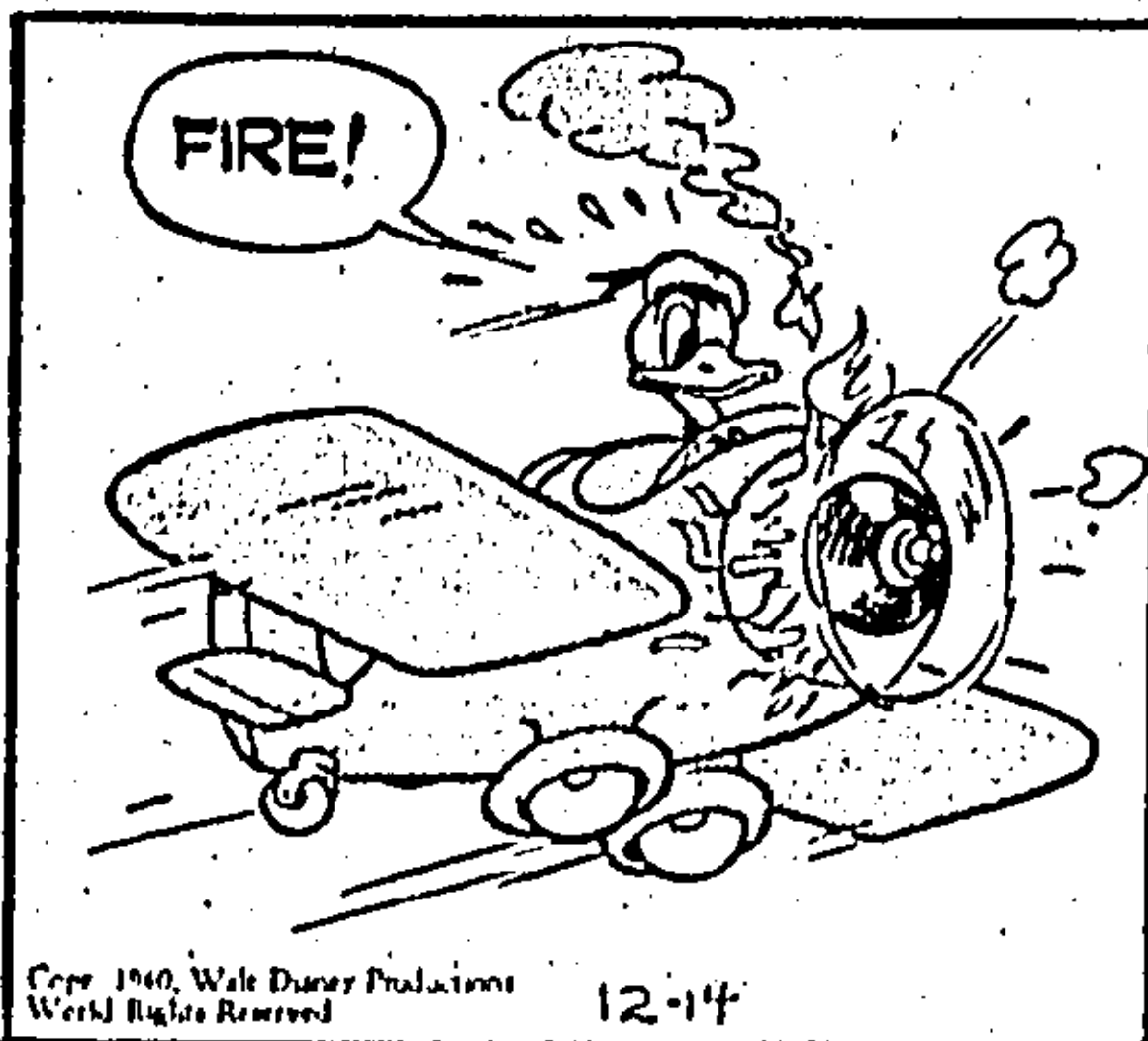
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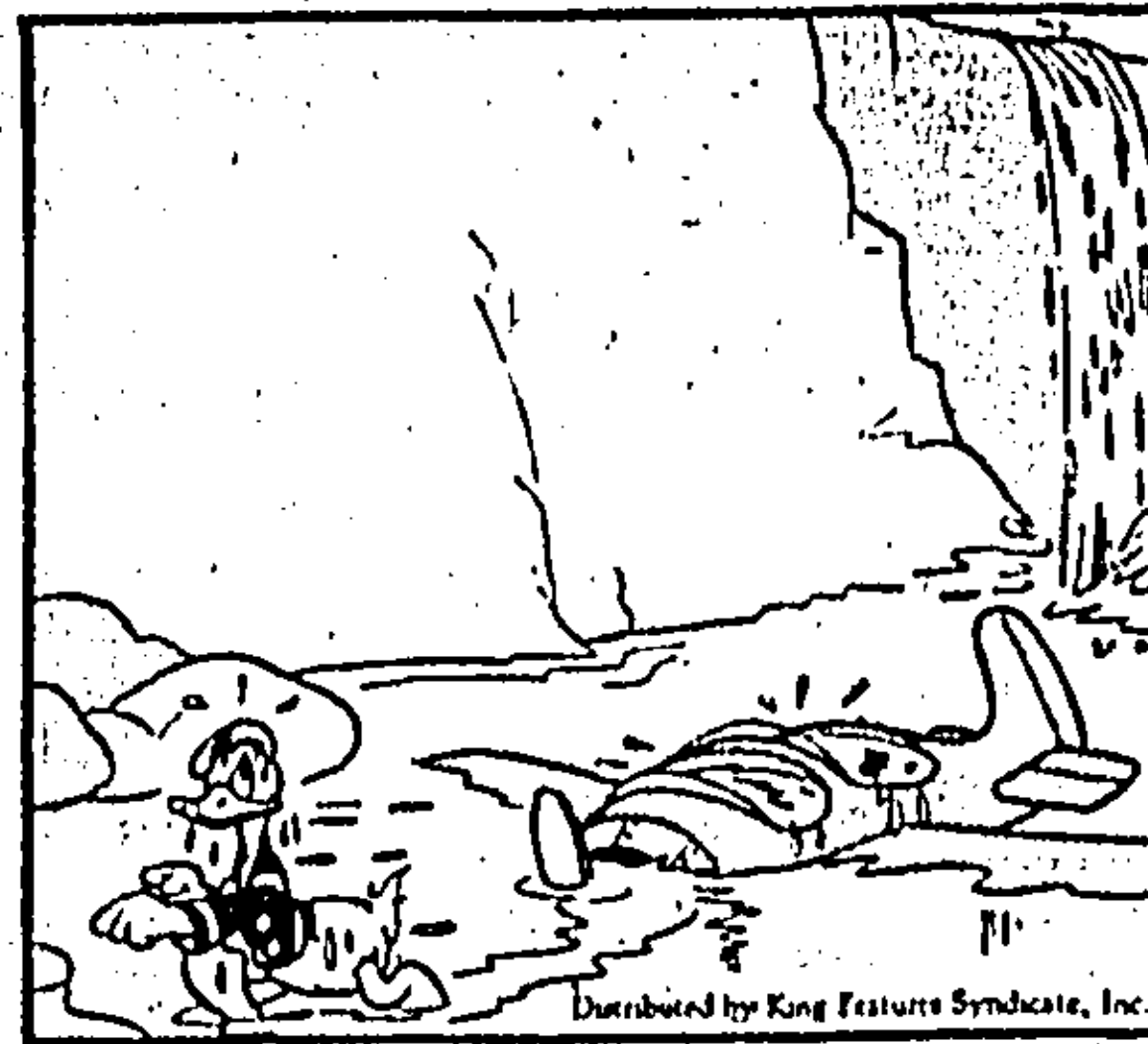
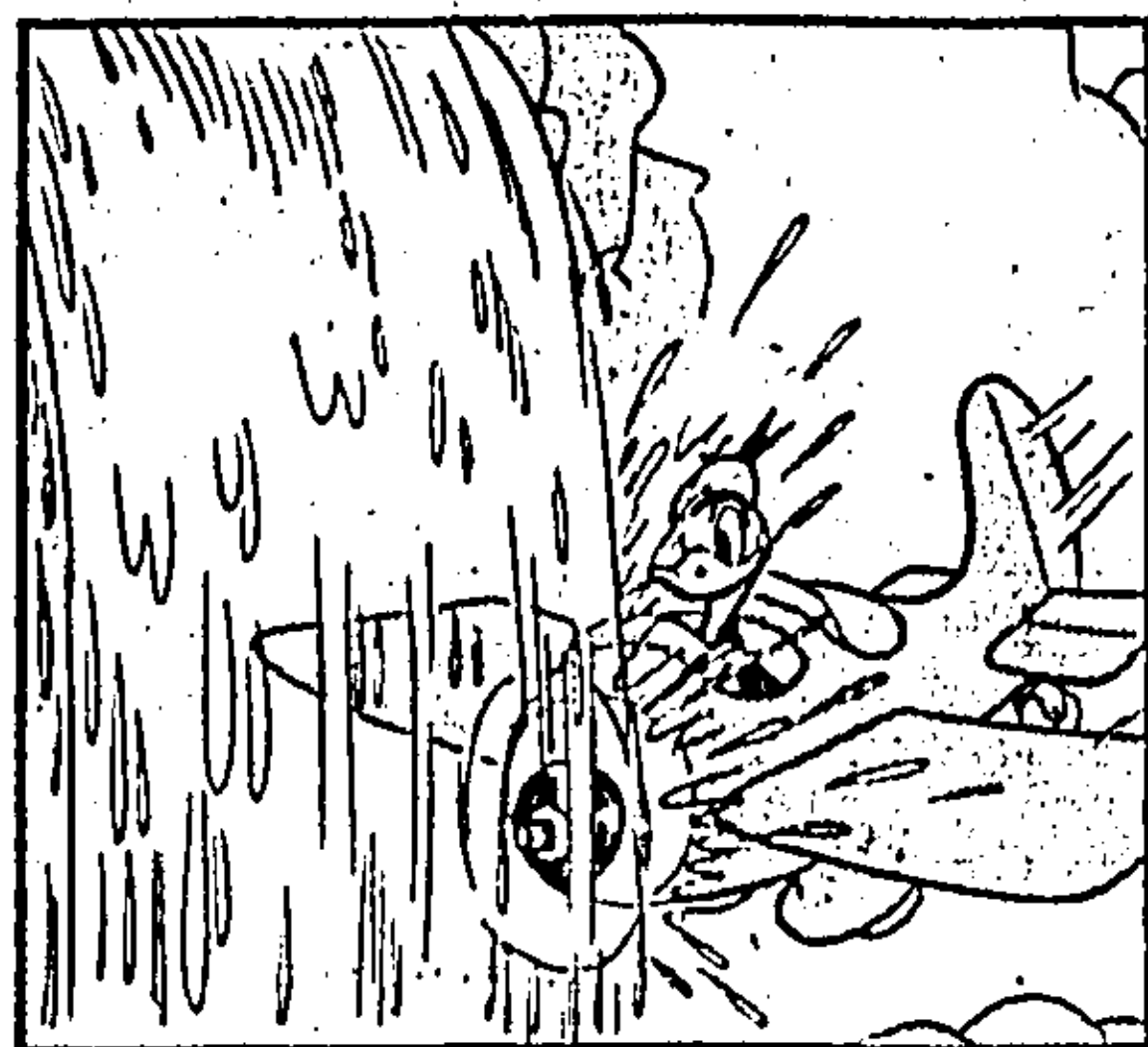
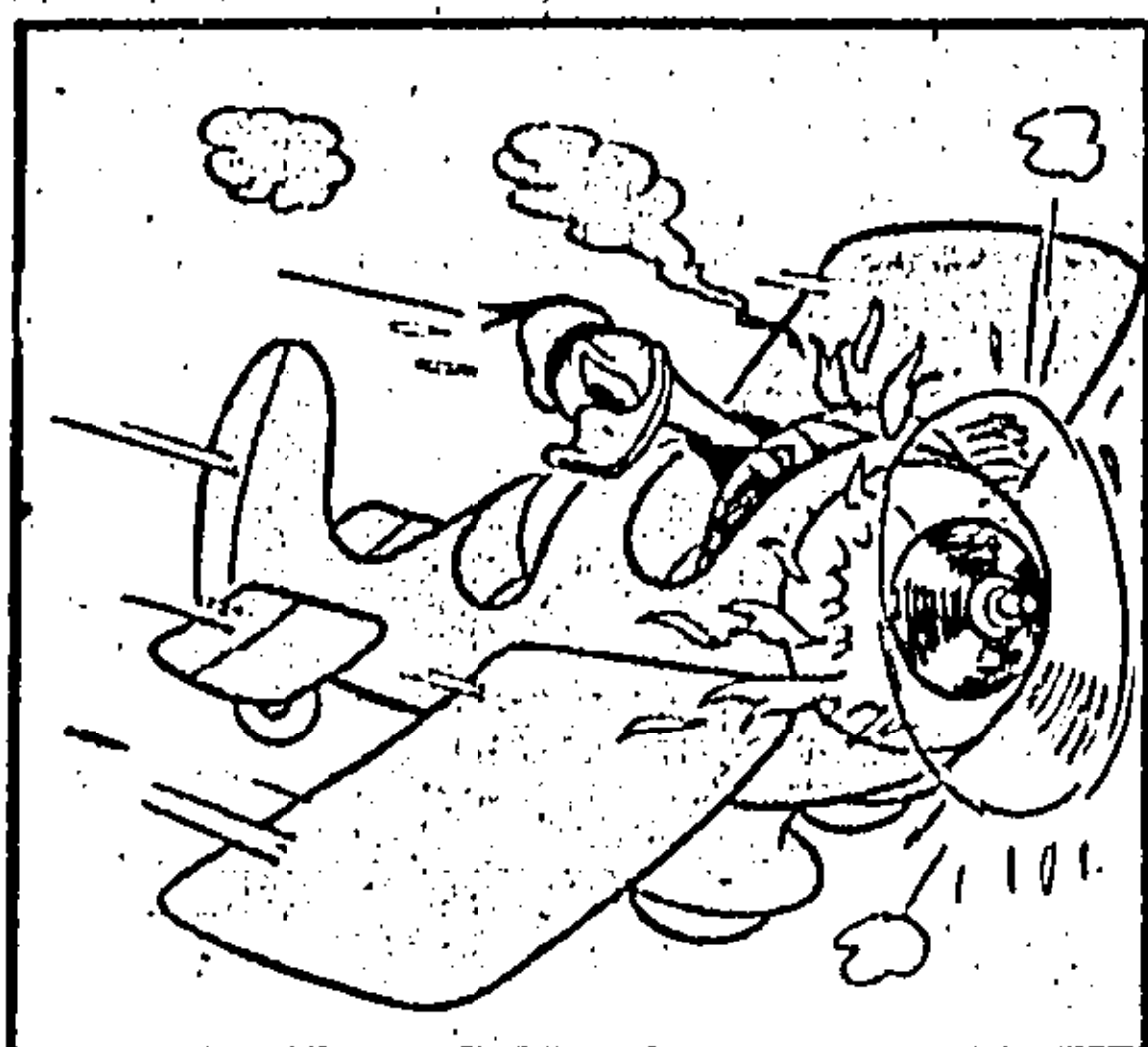




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## ASPECTS OF WAR LIFE



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ONE OF THE new three-in-one bunks which are being made for public shelters.

## William Hickey What the footman saw

YET another new Army publication has been sent me. (I pass them all on to one of the organisations which are collecting & cataloguing war documents.)

Some weeks ago I noticed a news magazine produced by the 2nd Bn, London Irish Rifles. This apparently prompted the 1st Bn of the same regiment to start their own magazine.

It is called The Ordinary Fellow (you recognise the quotation? George V). But the editor, 2nd Lieut J. R. Strick, writes: "We do not want to make it a collection of hockey notes & battalion gossip—we aim at something more than that. Most of us have had some very odd experiences... send in what you like... the law of libel holds good, even in the Army."

LEAST ordinary, most interesting, personal record in the first issue is that of Piper Mulqueen, who was a footman at the German Embassy in London under Ribbentrop and Dirksen and won some fame early in the war by "rescuing" the Embassy chow.

It is typical of Nazi pretentiousness and German fetishism that each "Embassy" footman had to have six different uniforms: in the morning they wore light brown jacket, dark trousers; in the afternoon, dark blue; in the evening, tails. In addition they had brown walking-out uniform "complete with the German eagle."

"It amused me," says Mulqueen, "to see my Territorial kit hanging in the same cupboard."

I hope a copy of this magazine reaches Ribbentrop. Employers rarely get a chance of seeing themselves as their servants see them. (How startled some of the old ladies of Belgravia & Torquay would be to glimpse the hated smouldering below the bland domestic obsequiousness that surrounds them.)

To Mulqueen, Ribbentrop and his wife seemed "very severe and distant." They always had breakfast in bed. "If the pay had not been so good I doubt if I should have carried on" because none of the 20 other servants spoke English.

The Japanese Ambassador always tipped the servant who helped him upstairs half-a-crown. "Sometimes members of the Hitler Youth would visit the Embassy whilst on holiday, and there would be much grumbling when their hobnailed boots were heard clattering all over the polished surfaces."

MINOR crisis at table:—

"I remember one occasion when Dr Dirksen was Ambassador, and Mr Chamberlain was on his right at dinner. I had to serve the potatoes and cabbage both of which the Prime Minister refused. A minute later, Dr Dirksen who had noticed his empty plate, called me over and asked me why I had not served him. Mr Chamberlain then said he would like some vegetables and took large helpings of both, which made things very awkward for me. I can only think that he was pre-occupied."

DIRKSEN took Mulqueen to his estate in Germany.

He liked the friendly people in the inn there. "They would come miles to get English cigarettes. I came in for a lot of joking because I wore a bowler hat, which they called a Judenhelm. They

## The Chances of Peace for Italy

By  
CANDIDUS

ONE of the many mysteries of the War that is different from all other wars is the attitude of Germany to the Italian invasion of Greece and the continuing indifference of Hitler to the setback his Jackal has sustained there.

It has been said often and truly enough in the past that the Italians are fighting Hitler's war, even if their help has been only in the Plebiscite and Italian sense.

Be that as it may, it is fairly obvious that Hitler refuses to fight Mussolini's war, which Mussolini, under the hammer blows of the R.A.F. and the Navy, is finding it increasingly difficult to fight himself.

In ways that are dark and for tricks that are vain, the heathen Chinese of Bret Harte's poem could teach the Germans nothing, and it is conceivable that the Axis partners have hatched a scheme between themselves, of which the Nazi's apparent disinterestedness in the Greek campaign is a part.

On the other hand, it is not out of the question that Hitler is deliberately refusing to back up his ally in furtherance of his own designs.

HITLER is extremely anxious to secure the co-operation of France for his "new doubt" in Europe.

Mussolini, who has all the greed of his peasant origin, is equally anxious to carve up the French Empire and to acquire the largest slice of it.

If Hitler allowed Mussolini to have his way, all likelihood of French co-operation would be over. He has to choose between the two, and the indications are that he has elected to have France on his side.

In arriving at that decision, it is not only the facts of the present situation that would influence Hitler, who has a long memory.

The Fuehrer does not forget—very few Germans have forgotten—Italy's double-cross of Imperial

Germany in 1915. Moreover, the Germans and the Italians have never had much use for each other. The Italians despise the Germans and the Germans despise the Italians.

NEITHER Hitler nor the Germans at large would weep if Italy found herself in a bad fix. Nobody, I imagine, knows that better than Mussolini does, and the Duce must surely wonder if the cold shouldering of Italy in the Molotov-Hitler conversations is not a calculated move to "rub it in" that he is the very junior partner in the Axis, who will be shown the door when Hitler's use for a Jackal is over.

For these various reasons I am inclined to regard with less than ordinary scepticism rumours that Mussolini contemplates making overtures for peace, especially as he is absolutely incapable of waging a long war.

Here is a great chance for our diplomacy to redeem its past errors and maladroitness. If Mussolini can be persuaded that Codrin's the friend, not Short, the entire aspect of the war would be changed in a flash.

The threat to Egypt would be removed at once, which would liberate our Mediterranean Fleet from its present preoccupations in that quarter and our Naval forces operating in the Atlantic would receive reinforcements so powerful that beating the U-boats and the commerce raiders would soon be an accomplished fact.

AFTER that, the blockade could really be made a stranglehold on Germany, and we could concentrate all our military activities on the Reich in the air, at sea, and, ultimately, on land.

Those are the possibilities—they are no more than that—of the future, which may or not come to pass. But amid so much that is doubtful, one thing at least is certain—that if Mussolini did withdraw from the Axis, in no part of the world would the move be so popular as in Italy itself.

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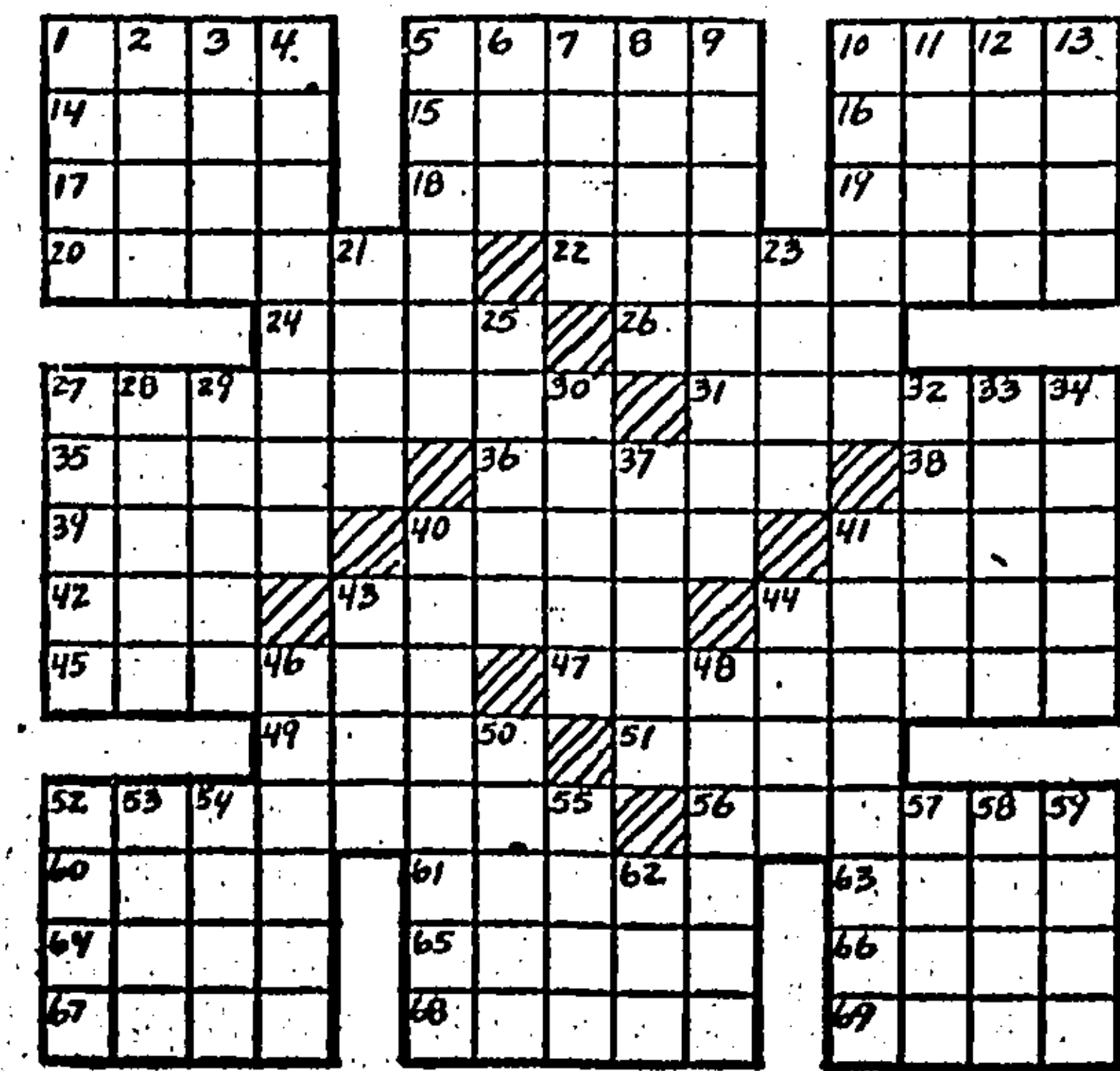
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- ACROSS
- 1—Pence set in ditch
  - 2—Triangular
  - 3—Crane
  - 4—Approximately
  - 5—Eligible
  - 6—River in Germany
  - 7—Part of body (pl)
  - 8—Travelling business
  - 9—Compound of iodine
  - 10—Mini suit
  - 11—Hodges of soldiers
  - 12—Income while
  - 13—Tring into bondage
  - 14—Pull suddenly (col)
  - 15—Houring ponder
  - 16—Purest Italian dialect
  - 17—Of his dimensions
  - 18—Ceremonies
  - 19—Third king of Judah
  - 20—Plute-like instrument
  - 21—Oste up
  - 22—Normable
  - 23—Looks for
  - 24—Commerce
  - 25—Dark region between earth and India
  - 26—Grooved
  - 27—Metal-producing rocks
  - 28—Origin
  - 29—Crest
  - 30—Revolving economy
  - 31—Greater in degree
  - 32—Lonest river in France
  - 33—Airplane (col)
  - 34—Corruption
  - 35—Mistake
  - 36—Makes lace
  - 37—Allows
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
- DOWN
- 1—Large body of men
  - 2—State positively
  - 3—Luminous circle
  - 4—Process of mixing metals
  - 5—Leads about playfully
  - 6—Kneelation ex-
  - 7—pressing adornment
  - 8—Performances
  - 9—in the beginning (poetic)
  - 10—Martyr
  - 11—Famous opera
  - 12—Espectacle
  - 13—Italian ancestral family of house of
  - 14—Innkeeper
  - 15—Crown bird
  - 16—Burden
  - 17—World
  - 18—Unlucky
  - 19—Roll
  - 20—Wreat down
  - 21—Chances
  - 22—Unit of gem weight
  - 23—So as not to be
  - 24—Overheard
  - 25—Called
  - 26—Fries out
  - 27—Closed up again
  - 28—Divide into intervals
  - 29—Certain
  - 30—North wind (Greek)
  - 31—Direct for information
  - 32—Matter mount at hand
  - 33—Bewildering
  - 34—Former allowance for transportation waste
  - 35—Waste patent
  - 36—Itinerary
  - 37—Skilled vocations
  - 38—Not recovered
  - 39—Unit of length



## "WHO'S YEHUDI?" IS NEW CRAZE

"WHO'S Yehudi?" The Thousands of people throughout the States are putting the question is a new craze which riddle to each other, and the is queeping the United States answers outmatch each other in and threatens to become bigger silliness. Here are some typical examples:

"He is the guy who holds up strapless bathing-suits and evening gowns."

"He's the man who makes rimless glasses with invisible lenses for the little man who wasn't there so he can read between the lines of the unwritten law."

Nobody gives the right answer—that Yehudi does not exist.

Actually, it started when a comedian on the American radio innocently asked the question during a broadcast. It so tickled the listeners that they began to write in and 'phone for the answer.

The harassed comedian has found his own answer. "Ask Yehudi's cutie," he says, and when they ask "Who's Yehudi's cutie?" he replies, "Ask Yehudi."

The craze has not reached our shores yet, but it is likely to be among our winter epidemics.

thought only Jews wore bowler hats."

The article ends with the outbreak of war: "I was called up on a Friday, and had some last drinks with the staff, who were very sad. We promised not to shoot each other."

"I remember the chief clerk asking me to organise the black-out. I smiled and showed him my calling-up notice."

I TOO want Rome bombed—but only one building in Rome. It is a whacking great target—a glittering-white, gigantic wedding-cake of a place, perhaps the vulgarst building in Europe; the Monument to Victor Emmanuel II, 230ft tall, 443ft wide, begun in 1885, unveiled in 1911. Buckle up, calls it "an inevitable feature in every view of the city."

I, too, and mildly amused by a joke—but only, so far, by one about Italian naval cowardice. It is said that Sir Aldo Castellani, famous Fascist doctor (now deprived of his knighthood), was consulted by an Italian admiral. He advised a sea-voyage.





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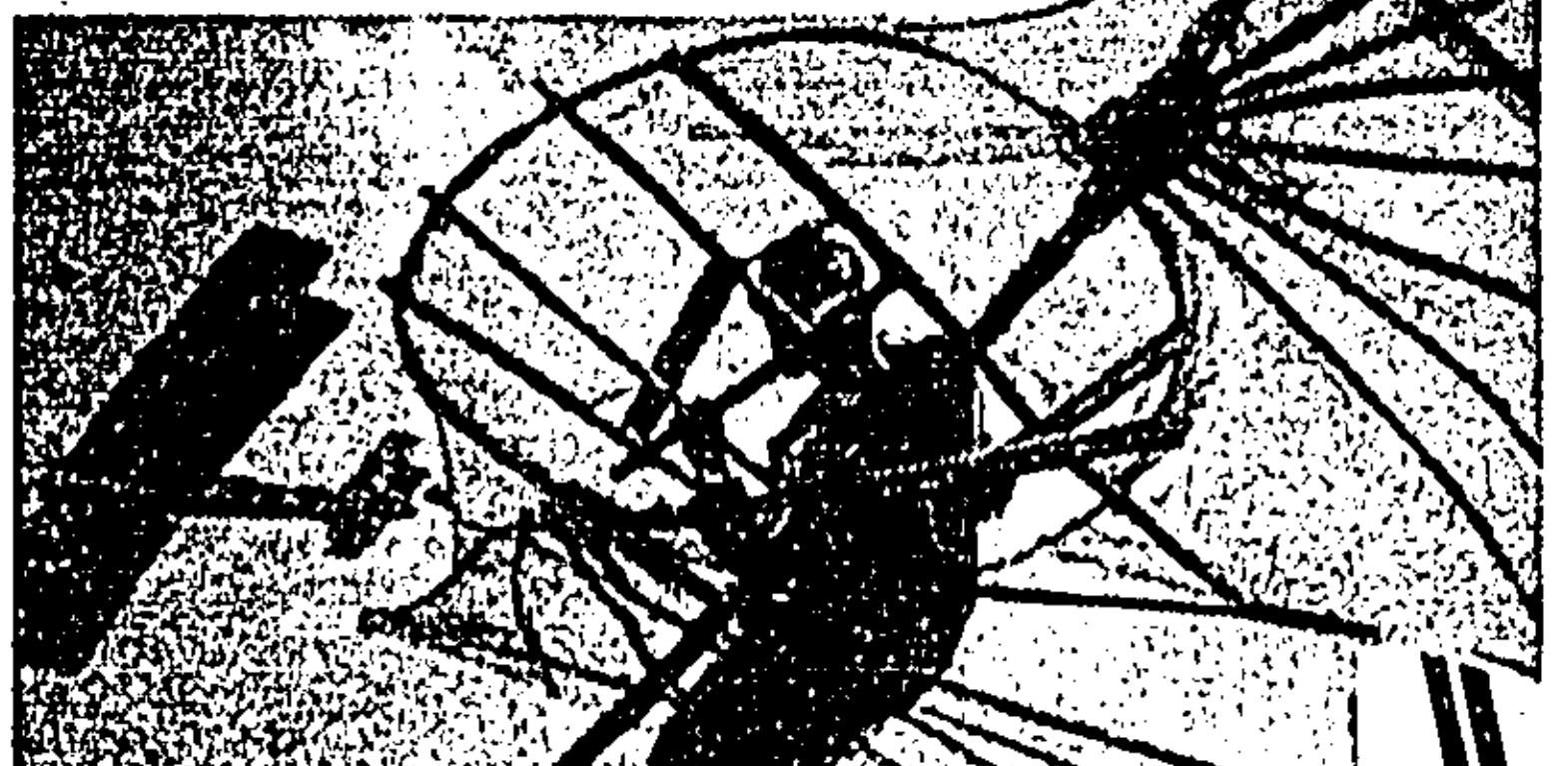
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### LOSING AN EMPIRE

THE entry of the Nazi Luftwaffe into the Mediterranean war theatre, and the talks between Hitler and Mussolini at Berchtesgaden pointedly synchronise; there is a widespread belief that Germany is to take control of the Axis war machine in the Mediterranean. But there are good reasons to feel that Nazi intervention on behalf of her partner has come too late.

The capture of Tobruk by British forces virtually seals the fate of Libya as a part of the Italian Empire. Its strategic importance cannot be over emphasised for ever since Libya fell under Italian sovereignty in 1912, Italy has developed Tobruk as a naval base. Its potentialities in this respect were recognised as long ago as the late 18th century when one writer observed: "It is as a future man-of-war harbour that Tobruk is likely to be important. It has been visited by both British and Italian squadrons and has become an object of considerable solicitude to the government of Italy."

Italy's solicitude for Tobruk and the advantages it offered developed into sheer hunger which found satisfaction in the crusade of 1911-12 when Tripoli was wrested from Turkish control. Now Italy has lost Tobruk, and just as the fall of Bardia made practically impossible the successful defence of the naval port, so will the loss of Tobruk compromise beyond hope the position of Derma and Benghazi. Control of this part of the North African coast will provide Britain with an immeasurable advantage in countering Nazi intervention in the Mediterranean; neither must the great strategic value of Crete, which the British have occupied since the disastrous Italian venture against Greece, be forgotten.

It is true that the German Luftwaffe can have a tremendous nuisance value in the Middle East, but warplanes cannot save Libya for Italy, nor prevent the success of the British and Abyssinian offensive in Eritrea and Ethiopia. There is a natur-

The Balkans, In New Turmoil, Are Intended To Be-

# HITLER'S Stepping Stones

ONCE more the Balkans are becoming a battleground.

Once more the long-suffering Balkan peoples see foreign invaders tramping over lands endowed so richly by Nature that they could be a paradise on earth—if only they could be left in peace for even one century.

What are "the Balkans"? Most of my fellow-countrymen, with their inimitable gift for misunderstanding foreign countries, think vaguely of "the Balkans" as a remote region somewhere in the South of Europe inhabited by incorrigibly warlike peoples.

This is the reputation a tragic and lovely part of Europe has gained from being the place periodically chosen by Great Powers for a battleground.

### Eyes South

To-day Hitler, having tested the waters of our English Channel with his toe for some months; and found them too cold, has turned southward to dreams of conquest in the Mediterranean and Africa.

And the unhappy Balkans, which lie in between, are his first stepping stones.

The Balkans are Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece; the tiny statelet of Albania also counts among them; and Turkey, too, ranks as a Balkan Power because, since Chanak, she still has that one foot in Europe which we fought the last Great War, among other things, to deny her.

Happy we are to-day that she has that one foot on the European side of the Dardanelles, because as long as she is there we have a chance of checking Hitler's southward drive on the edge of Europe.

### Our Chance

We have a chance of keeping a foothold there ourselves, of checkmating his plan to close the Dardanelles and the Black Sea and to bottle-up Russia until he has conquered us and is ready to strike at her.

Incidentally, you should never speak of Hungary as a Balkan Power unless you wish mortally to offend a Hungarian.

This is not so much because Hungary is, in fact, remote from the mountain range which gives the Balkan Peninsula its name, but because Hungary dearly loves to think that she belongs to "the West," its civilisation and its culture.

For centuries the sufferings of Europe have reached their highest point in the Balkans.

A hundred years ago, when they won their freedom, the golden age seemed to have dawned for them.

In practice, the greed and rapacity of Great European Powers have made this last century not much better, for them, than the centuries they

hesitation to pronounce early judgment, but certainly there are indications that Italy, as a militant Power, is nearing the end of her tether. Her forces are in flight on two fronts in the Middle East, and she has been driven halfway out of Albania. It is a disheartening blow to the Axis which is not likely to be recouped even with the assistance of German military ingenuity.



— but skilfully manipulated, they can easily trip up Adolf

endured under the old Turkish years ago, wonders to what sort of kingdom he will succeed when he comes of age next year.

This, and not their own shortcomings, has prevented them from settling down, from building progressive and peaceful States.

This is the reason why a Balkan King has only the ultimate choice between abdication and assassination (I can think of but two or three exceptions to this rule).

In Spain, King Carol of Rumania, his throne already them, or at Hitler's bidding

### By DOUGLAS REED

(Distinguished Commentator on European Affairs and Author of "Insanity Fair")

lost, is fighting against Hitler's actively to send his troops and Himmler's attempt to force against Greece.

General Franco to surrender Russia, the only country which could effectively help

If it should succeed, King Carol's fate would be tragic, for Hitler has never forgiven him to which our island-minded the execution, immediately after politicians have sent her.

We have no better friends in the world than the tens of millions of Balkan peasants. They have centuries of guerilla warfare against a mighty enemy in their blood.

In London, at the Ritz Hotel, you may see King Zog of Albania, with his Queen Geraldine, the American-Hungarian, whom he married, and his little son, who takes his outing in the park with two Albanian guards always in attendance.

Strange tricks our times play on the men who have at one time or another occupied the front of the European stage: King Zog, once a Colonel in the Imperial Austrian Army, sometimes passes on the steps of the Ritz a former Austrian cavalry officer—Prince Starhemberg, now a pilot in General de Gaulle's Air Force.

Not far from the Ritz is Brown's Hotel, which some years ago had a modest and retiring guest—the present King George of Greece, who now sits on his throne in Athens for the second time and watches the Italian invader striking towards his capital.

"Can the British help me to hold on to part of Greece, or am I booked to return to Brown's Hotel, there to hope for a second restoration?" These are the thoughts that fill King George's mind to-day.

In Yugoslavia, young King Peter, his father murdered six people of this country need it,

too — and we shall have millions of allies in the Balkans.

But for the present their lot is hard. If Greece succumbs the whole of the Balkans pass under German-Italian domination.

Jugoslavia, as you soon will see if Greece falls, will be partitioned.

Hitler will take the northern part, which used to belong to the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and which will give Germany her longed-for port on the Adriatic.

### Can We Do It?

Mussolini will take most of the Dalmatian coast, while a tiny Serbia would be left in mock independence.

Bulgaria would pass under German domination as effectively as Hungary.

Then Turkey would be given the choice of fighting or yielding, as some others have yielded, and, with Hitler coming down through Spain to Gibraltar and through Syria towards Egypt the battle for the Mediterranean, for Africa and the British Empire would begin in earnest.

The Balkans are but stepping-stones—but, if we could manipulate them skilfully, they could still trip Hitler up.

## Carol Says 'Lupescu Is My Wife'

TO save Magda Lupescu from being sent back to Rumania, where she would face a charge of complicity in murder, ex-King Carol is understood to have told the Spanish authorities that he is married to her.

The wedding is said to have taken place in London some years ago.

The Rumanian Government is asking for Mme. Lupescu's extradition, claiming that she is implicated in the murder of the Iron Guard leader Codreanu.

Accompanied by four secretaries, three valets, and two maids, Carol and Lupescu have a twelve-roomed suite in Madrid's Palace Hotel, overlooking the Plaza del Neptuno.

Mme. Lupescu has not left her suite. Those who have seen her say she is haggard, and spends a large part of her time weeping.



## BUILDING 200 SHIPS IN U. S. A.

### Replacing World Shortage

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Emergency appropriation of \$313,000,000 for building 200 new cargo ships to meet the threat of a world shipping shortage, was recommended today by the House Appropriations Committee.

This followed a statement by Rear Admiral Land, Chairman of the Committee, that the sinking of merchantmen by German submarines and planes was the principal reason for the new programme.

The money is to be handled by the Maritime Commission which has already begun preliminary work on the programme.

The ships are to be simplified with a uniform design.

Rear Admiral Land estimated that the first will be ready 11 months after the contract is placed and that the total programme will be finished in two years.

## Nords Won't Work In Germany

### Call For Volunteers Fails

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—German efforts to recruit an army of workers in Norway—20,000 in the figure mentioned—have failed, according to information reaching London.

An official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare stated today that the Germans had planned to transfer the workers via Sweden. Appeals made by the Quisling authorities had met with singularly little success and the Norwegian Trade Union organisations had refused to co-operate in the enterprise.

The first 5,000 volunteers had been scheduled to leave for Germany in the middle of January but did not do so because of the determined opposition of the workers.

Oslo should have supplied 1,000 men but the Norwegian capital failed to provide even 200. This failure to attract Norwegians to German employment has been brought about in the face of severe unemployment in Norway.

## PRECAUTION AFTER BABY ARRIVES

Doctors warn mothers to watch their diet after the birth of a child. The right food is of vital importance to the mother and to the child she is feeding.

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## Insecurity Of Future Stressed By Aged Japanese Statesman

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Domei).—The resolution urging the strengthening of Japan's wartime structure in view of the mounting world crisis was moved by the 78-year-old veteran Parliamentarian, Mr Chuji Machida, former president of the defunct Minseito Party.

He declared at the general session of the House of Representatives this afternoon that the anti-Japanese nature of Britain and the United States is becoming increasingly evident and by applying economic pressure to Japan and assisting Chiang Kai-shek they are attempting to lead the two Oriental nations to mutual attrition.

"These hostile Powers are utterly under-estimating and judging wrongfully Japan's actual resources," the statesman charged. "Japan's actual strength, is far from yielding to such pressure. We are fully convinced that sufficient materials to provide for a long war have already been prepared."

"Thanks to the successive victories achieved by the Imperial forces resources in China are now secured and their development coupled with the development of Manchuria is now steadily progressing."

"If our people bear hardships, render devoted service to the State, simplify their modes of living and go forward with the great constructive task, all difficulties will be overcome and a glorious future will be opened for the Empire. It is the traditional spirit of our glorious Empire to reject rigorously any Powers attempting to threaten the Imperial right of existence."

### Expand Production

"In order to complete a highly organised national defence State it is most urgent to expand production."

"While we must realise that the life of the people may further decline according to the developments of the situation, the people are prepared to make any sacrifices if required for the State. Since they are all the loyal subjects of the Throne, the administrator should endeavour not to see any member of the nation taking an improper place."

"As the emergency situation progresses there are rising voices criticising the bureaucrats. While it is also most necessary to reform the official service system, the Premier, Prince Konoye, is called upon to deal with the situation with a firm determination and to execute his duty in the spirit of exhausting one's efforts until death. We also pledge ourselves to serve the Diet to the utmost of our abilities and thereby set at ease His Majesty's anxiety."

As the veteran Parliamentarian descended from the rostrum in the midst of rousing cheers, the Premier, mounted the rostrum and declared: "The Government fully endorse the resolution which has just been explained. It is indeed a matter for congratulation for the State that such a resolution designed to effectuate national unity has been approved in view of the grave situation facing the nation. While the Government is contemplating all possible measures for meeting the recent internal and international situation, it will endeavour to act up to the spirit of the present measure."

The resolution then was carried by a unanimous standing vote. After a brief recess, the motion to forgo questioning of the Diet speeches by Ministers was presented and approved by the House which adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

### Interpellations Banned

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (UP).—The House today adopted a resolution to support the Government and to strengthen swiftly the national wartime structure in order to meet the grave situation and also to abandon interpellation of the Cabinet ministers' opening speeches, which are a feature of the sessions.

This is expected to start to-morrow, when the Government policies are scheduled for questioning, but at a

sharply curtailed rate compared to the past. It is indicated that the Peers will also curtail interpellations.

### Terms of Resolution

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The resolution which was passed by the plenary session house, reads "whereas the international situation grows tenser and tenser every day, whereas our nation is always solicitous for the maintenance of world peace, we

are firmly determined to frustrate all attempts to violate our living sphere.

"Whereas this grave situation calls for the strengthening of our war organisation promptly, be it resolved therefore, that all policies and administrative measures of government be concentrated on attaining this object, and that the Diet bend its efforts to upholding the Government with the entire nation going forward to meet the emergency situation."

## Hongkong's Eleventh January Thunderstorm

For the eleventh time in its history, Hongkong this morning suffered a January thunderstorm.

The thunder pealed and the rain lashed down for an hour between 7 and 8 o'clock, and as a result 42 points of an inch of rain were recorded by the Royal Observatory.

The last thunderstorm to occur in January was in 1937 when 90 points of an inch of rain fell.

Yesterday's temperature was also high for this time of the year, though by no means a record. Maximum reading reached 77.3, but the highest January temperature was in 1905, when 79.3 was recorded.

## French Ship Intercepted By British

### Tried To Run Blockade

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Confirmation that the French steamer, Mendoza, which was trying to run the blockade from South America to Europe, has been intercepted by the British, was given by the First Lord of the Admiralty (Mr A. V. Alexander) in the House of Commons today.

The Independent Member, Col J. C. Wedgwood, who had suggested that the Mendoza be sunk, interposed to ask whether this "business of hedge-hopping along the coast of South America is to continue indefinitely with all French ships."

Mr Alexander reminded Col Wedgwood that the "question of International Law affects not only the nation whose ships are intercepted but also other nations who are very friendly to us."

## Greeks In Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Greek Government has ordered the mobilisation of Greek citizens throughout Egypt between the ages of 20 and 45.

The formation of an Army Corps named the "Hellenic Column in Egypt" will follow.

## HOLLAND LOOKS TO FUTURE

### Buying Food Stocks

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Netherlands Government has made arrangements for the purchase and storage of food and materials for the ultimate benefit of the people of the Netherlands.

When the Netherlands Government was forced to leave the country in order to continue its functions on foreign soil, the Netherlands were left with ample stores of food and raw materials. Nazi exploitation of the Netherlands and its people, according to Dutch circles in London, soon reduced the available stocks to a minimum, and serious hardship is now being experienced by the Dutch populace.

Queen Wilhelmina has just appointed the Netherlands commercial expert, Jonkheer van Stolk, to contract all purchases for the Netherlands Ministry of Economic Affairs. A purchasing office will be opened in New York and goods will be purchased from the Netherlands East Indies, the British Empire and America so that the Netherlands has sufficient food and materials available to start the replenishment of Holland at the first opportunity.

## Burma-China Railway

### Questions In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, Mr Hamilton Kerr asked Mr L. S. Amery (Secretary for India and Burma) whether, in view of the possibility of the proposed Burma-Yunnan road for transport of Lancashire textiles into China after the war, he will suggest to the Burmese Government the desirability of preparing a section of this railway leading from the head of the present Burmese Railway to the Chinese frontier.

Mr Amery replied that the problems which the project of the Burma-Yunnan railway presents are receiving the urgent consideration of the Government. The engineering difficulties are very great and so is the question of supply in the present conditions of material required.

## Bermuda Sea Plane Bases

### Leased To America

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Two islands in the Bermuda group are to be leased to the United States for 99 years for use as flying boat bases. They are Morgan and Tucker Islands.

The Colonial Office states that when it was announced that an agreement had been reached on certain titles to be leased to the United States for bases in Bermuda in the British West Indies, it was stated in regard to Bermuda that the United States had also asked for the use of one or more islands in the Great Sound. Agreement was reached regarding the latter.

## EMBARGO REMOVAL Merely A Gesture To Soviet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The lifting of a moral embargo on the export of aeroplanes and air equipment to the Soviet Union is not likely to affect the form of war supplies to Britain, according to well-informed quarters here.

No orders Russia could place could be fulfilled before 1943, if then.

The lifting of the embargo is little more than a "fine gesture." Apart from the moral embargo, there are also a number of other restrictions on the shipment of materials necessary for defence needs and connected with plans to turn United States industry into an arsenal for Britain.

Asked at the press conference whether the material shipped to Russia might reach Germany, Mr Cordell Hull replied, "I think you will find that the usual interest of this government in that phase of the situation is being taken."

## U.S. Supreme Court Judge Retiring

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Mr Justice McReynolds, of the United States Supreme Court, has notified President Roosevelt that he will retire on February 1.

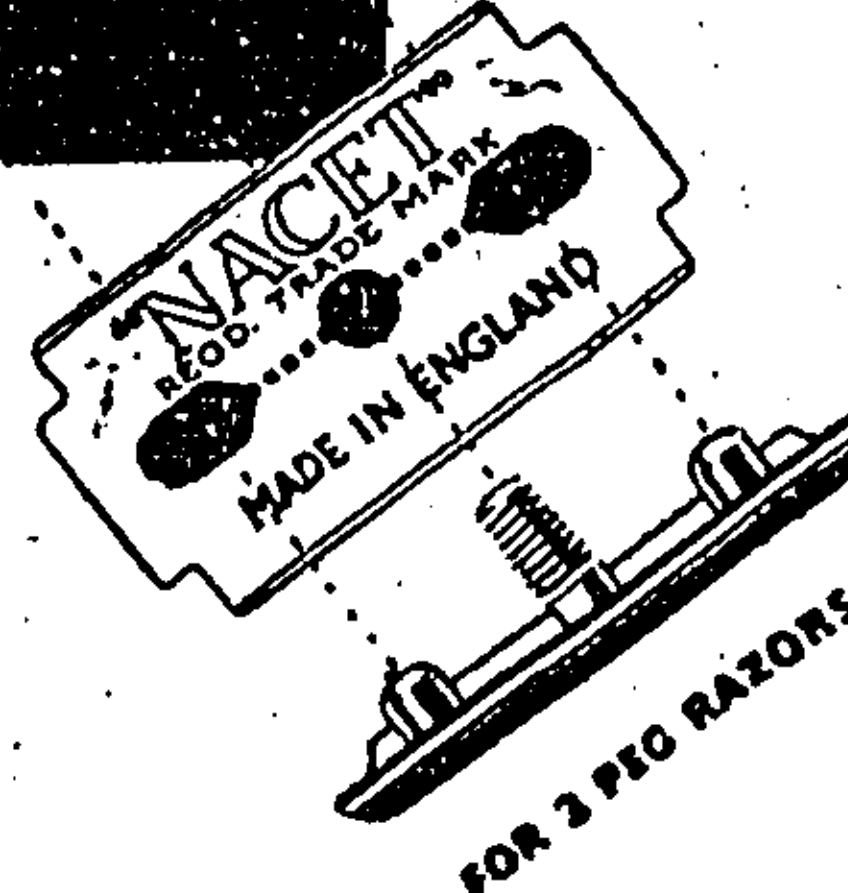
Mr Justice McReynolds has served on the Court for 26 years. He was the only judge whom the Administration described as "conservative."

His retirement gives President Roosevelt an opportunity to make his sixth appointment to the nine-member court.

The Attorney-General, Mr Robert H. Jackson, has frequently been mentioned as the next possible appointment.

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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# Serious Accidents May Arise Out Of "Sticks"

## Players Expect Much Latitude From Umpires: Rigid Ruling

PLAYERS generally expect too much latitude from umpires for breaches of Rule 10. I have seen teeth knocked out and badly cut faces from smashed spectacles arising from "sticks."

### NATURAL WEAKNESSES

This Rule was undoubtedly created in the long ago to prevent such accidents as these. If infringements are made and umpires are lenient, the game gets out of hand, for human nature being what it is, players will take advantage of a non-too-strict umpire, not only in regard to Rule 10 but with regard to others, too.

I have noted a growing tendency this season for defenders to tackle forwards (who look like becoming dangerous) from behind on the left and to put their right hands on their men while using their lefts and sticks to recover possession of the ball. Then with a push either sending his man down or putting him out of his stride.

Generally the man goes down, and I have seen numerous cases of this in what is accepted as first-class hockey.

Players say that they do not obtain any advantage from "sticks." This is a curious fallacy.

To prove it: Take a free hit from the goal line and permit "sticks" for the hit, and then mark the distance that the ball has travelled. Repeat this shot but observe the strict ruling and then note the difference that the ball has travelled.

Is it fair to shoot at a goal-keeper with the force that can be obtained from "sticks"? And an umpire is right to whistle for these infringements.

He is there to see that the game is played according to the rules governing the game. He has no authority—in fact he exceeds his powers to permit infringements to occur without penalty.

### Play To The Rules

If it is the opinion of the greater number of players that the rule needs revising, the remedy is in their own hands, but I doubt if the International Hockey Board would modify the rule because of the already existing danger arising from "sticks."

Let us play this amateur game according to the wording and spirit

of the rules. If this were done, play would not only improve all round but there would be an enormous improvement in finesse and combinations, constructive passing and team work generally. Lookers-on would have a more spectacular game to watch and this would make for increasing popularity.

## BADMINTON LEAGUE

### Matches Played In "B" Division

In the B division of the badminton league last night, St. Andrew's beat Police 6-1, Kowloon beat St. John's 5-4 and Victoria Recreation Club beat Jewish Recreation Club 5-4.

Stores: St. Andrew's, at home, beat Police 6-1, E. F. Fincher and F. Kew beat W. Gillies and L. Gordon 21-18, beat H. Dingdale and J. Ferrier 21-5, beat Siu and J. Shepherd 21-2.

A. E. Brown and S. A. Gray beat Gillies and Gordon 21-9, beat Dingdale and Ferrier 21-5, beat Siu and Shepherd 21-5.

M. M. Davies and D. Gillespie lost to Gillies and Gordon 15-21, beat Dingdale and Ferrier 21-8, beat Siu and Shepherd 21-5.

JEWISH R.C. v. V.R.C. The Jewish Recreation Club lost to Victoria Recreation Club 4-5.

J. Odell and M. Talan (J.R.C.) lost to D. N. Xavier and S. A. Rumjahn 21-23, beat A.A. Remedios and F. Castro 21-10, beat A. Basto and M. de V. Soares 21-12.

A. R. Pollak and L. Landau lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 10-21, lost to Remedios and Castro 21-23, lost to Basto and Soares 7-21.

S. Ramler and B. Godkin lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 8-21, beat Remedios and Castro 21-7, beat Basto and Soares 21-14.

ST. JOHN'S v. K.C.C. St. John's lost to Kowloon at St. John's Hall.

## "Pilgrim" Selects Interport XI

I NOTICE in a morning contemporary that the first trial for the Interport is to be held next Saturday on the Club ground at 3.30 p.m., and according to the list of players published I would like to remind the Selectors that several very good names have been omitted.

I would like to draw attention to the following (including all ranks of the Services) should they be permitted to leave the Colony:

Right backs.—Pte Stickley (Mids.) and Pte Taylor (R.E.).

Left Backs.—Kishen Singh (I.K.S.R.A.) and Blackburn (Police).

Right Halves.—Sat. Ure (Mids.) and R. Marques (Recrolo).

Centre-halves.—Crowley (Mids.) and R. J. Reed (Nomads).

Right wing.—Karminder Singh (Khalsa) is worth a trial and is much faster than Teja Singh of the Police.

Sgt. Denyer (Inside-right) and Sgt. Holmberg (centre-forward) of the R. Engineers and Pte Sheehan (inside-left) of Middlesex are all worth a trial. I hope the Selectors will not overlook them.

My nominations for the Interport XI according to form are:

U. B. Souza; Pte Stickley and V. O. Bond; M. B. Hassan, W. A. Reed and R. Whitley; S/A Ross, M. Akram, Gurbachan Singh, L/Cpl Shaw and Narwant Singh.

Reserves.—Sgt. Croston (back), Sgt. Ure or A. M. Alves (halves), E. Fowler and Sgt. Holmberg (forwards).

D. Kwok and F. Kennard lost to A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth 11-21, beat J. L. Anderson and H. B. Jones 21-18, lost to A. P. Guest and E. Zimmern 18-21.

N. L. Smith and P. Wilson beat Fisher and Wynter-Blyth 21-13, beat Anderson and Jones 21-19, beat Guest and Zimmern 21-16.

M. Maynard and G. S. Legg lost to Fisher and Wynter-Blyth 12-21, lost to Anderson and Jones 6-21, lost to Guest and Zimmern 9-21.

## ASSN. TOURNAMENT

### Punjab Beat

### Khalsa By Only Goal Scored

IN A TOURNAMENT fixture on the Marina ground last Sunday, the Punjab Regiment beat Khalsa 1-0. It was unfortunate that the ground was soft which was rather against good hockey. Nevertheless a keen and hard-fought match was seen, and ten minutes before the interval Ashraf scored the only goal of the match after clever combination on the left flank.

Khalsa should have equalised a few minutes later when Gurbachan Singh broke through, but a penalty bully was awarded against Mohd. Akram for foul play.

A peculiar incident followed—Akram, who was defending, was cautioned three times in succession during the bully and yet a fourth attempt, when he eventually got the ball out of the circle.

A goal should have been awarded to Khalsa after the first bully, but the umpire for some reason thought otherwise.

Khalsa were again on the offensive, but over-eagerness in front of goal and the tendency to get offside lost them their opportunities.

### Later Superiority

PUNJABS were definitely the superior in the second half and had Khalsa panned in their own half for long periods at a time. Only on two occasions did the visitors look like notching a goal, but sound defence and clever positional play by Akram at centre-half, robbed them time and again.

Ross's tactics as leader were based upon speed of attack, and his wingers kept the Khalsa defence frequently guessing. Dhani Ram, at left half, gave a fine display, both in attack and defence.

Khalsa forwards hung too far up the field when they should have given their halves more support, and when they did attack the insides bunched too much in the circle. Hassan was the best of the halves, and Souza in goal played his usual sound game.

## Random Jottings

### Umpire's Bad Ruling In Tournament Game

IN AN IMPORTANT game played during the week-end, a bad decision given by one of the umpires cost one of the leading teams the loss of a point in the Association Tournament. I am in no way trying to criticise the umpire, but for the satisfaction of the team concerned, it must be admitted that the official was definitely at fault.

The team has decided to accept the official's decision as final and does not intend to protest, though they have good reason to do so.

As the Penalty Bully Rule should be brought into force more often, especially in League games, and as some umpires lack full knowledge of its operation, I shall comment on this Rule next week.

AT the last meeting of the Hongkong H.A. Council, it was decided that the Interport match against Macao be played this year. Sunday, March 2 has been nominated, and it now depends on Macao to accept this date.

I believe the Portuguese Colony will be holding a Grand Carnival on that date.

THE Interport Selection Committee comprises Lt. Pirie (Army), Lt. Gunner (Navy) and Mr. K. Hussain (Civilians).

According to information received, only officers from the Services' teams will, if chosen, be able to make the trip. The majority of the players, no doubt, will be civilians.

Trial games will be held sometime this month. Mr. V. M. Benwell is in charge of booking arrangements, etc.

WHETHER the International Tournament will be held this season is still doubtful. This will be discussed after the Interport has been played, and at the conclusion of the H.K.H.A. Tournament, which will end sometime towards the end of April.

DUE to his being ordered off the field by an umpire for ungentlemanly conduct during the Recreation C.B.A. match some six weeks ago—Freddie Fowler has been cautioned by the H.K.H.A.

THE 5th A.A. Bty. "A" failed to put in an appearance at King's Park last Sunday morning, when they were to have met A.N. Others in a League encounter. I understand that the latter are claiming full points.

Navy retained their unbeaten record in the quadrangular rugby tournament yesterday when they beat Police, three tries (9) to a dropped goal (4) after holding an interval lead of 6-4, although Police led in the early stages.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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Sunday, January 28

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Monday, January 27

Chinese v. Army

Navy ground, 3.30 p.m.

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## Alice Marble—Outstanding Woman Athlete For 1940

### A Landslide Vote

NEW YORK, Dec. (AP).—Mr. Harmon, meet the new champion, Alice I. Marble of California and New York. It looked as if Tom Harmon had won a pretty decisive triumph in being named No. 1 male athlete of the year in the Associated Press poll (30 first-place votes).

But the Harmon landslide shrinks to a small pebble rolling down a small hill compared with the vote for Miss Marble as outstanding woman competitor of 1940.

Rawls-Thompson of Florida, swimming, none and 4.

### Minor Placings

AMONG the minor point-winners were Sonja Henie Topping, who hasn't been a competitive athlete for several years, but invariably gets a mention; Jacqueline Cochran, whose nomination thus brings aviation under the heading of sports; Catherine Dewey, whose Lake Placid (N. Y.) Bobsled team beat a men's combine for the National A. U. title last winter; and Hazel Walker Krutcher of Little Rock, Ark., who made the A. A. U. All-America women's basketball team for the 11th straight year and won the national free throw title for the ninth time in 10 years.

### FINAL STANDINGS

Alice Marble, tennis ..... 63 219  
Betty Jameson, golf ..... 4 59  
Marjorie Gestring, diving ..... 0 31  
Patty Berg, golf ..... 1 23  
Babe Didrikson-Zaharias, golf ..... 2 15  
Lorraine Fisher, swimming ..... 0 9  
Katherine Rawls-Thompson, swim'g ..... 0 4

Three points each—Sonja Henie Topping (one first-place vote), figure skating; Helen Jacobs, tennis; Stella Walsh, track.

Two points each—Marion Milay, golf; Mrs. Lola Hall, trap-shooting; Dorothy Poynton Hill, diving; Maddy Horn, speed skating; Nancy Merk, swimming.

One point each—Joan Tozer, figure skating; Jacqueline Cochran, aviation; Mary Moorman Ryan, swimming; Helen Cienkovich, diving; Eleanor Carlson, swimming; Pat Laursen, skeet shooting; Hazel Krutcher, basketball; Helen Tomaska, swimming; Patsy Ryan, swimming; Katherine Dewey, bobsledding; Phyllis Otto, golf; Glenn Collet Vare, golf.

### Miss Gestring Third

WITH points awarded on a 3-2-1 basis, only five others got more than three points. They were Marjorie Gestring, Los Angeles diving star, 31 without a first-place vote; Patty Berg, Minneapolis golf ace who, like Miss Marble, turned pro this year, one first and 23 points; Babe Didrikson-Zaharias, western open golf winner, two and 15; Lorraine Fisher of New York, swimming champion, none and 9, and Katie

### SWIMMING EXHIBITION

Members of the Rikkyo University swimming team, who recently competed with great success in the Philippine championships, will give an exhibition in the European Y.M.C.A. pool to-day at 2 p.m. A charge of \$1 will be made, 50 per cent. of which will be donated to charity.



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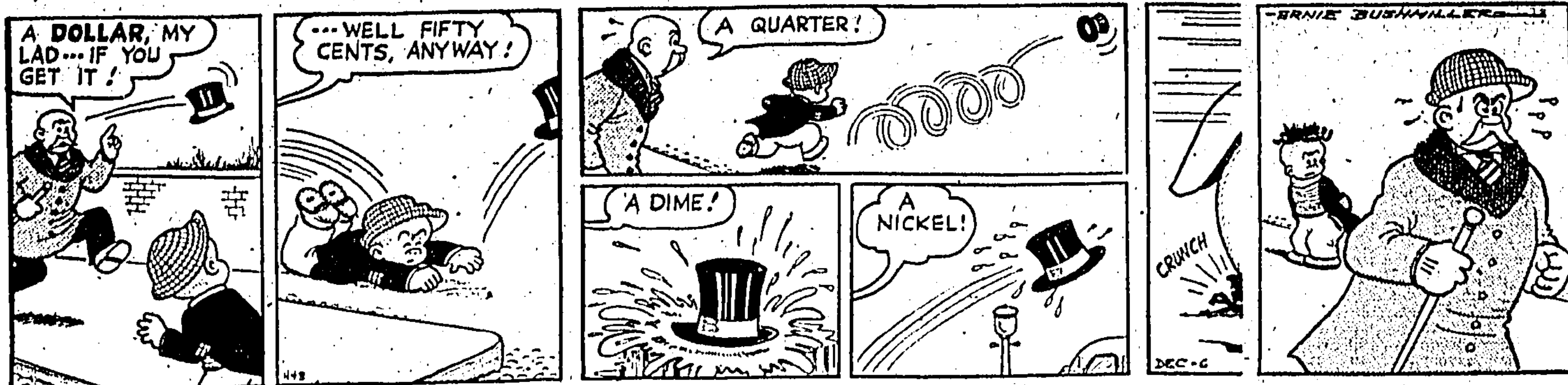
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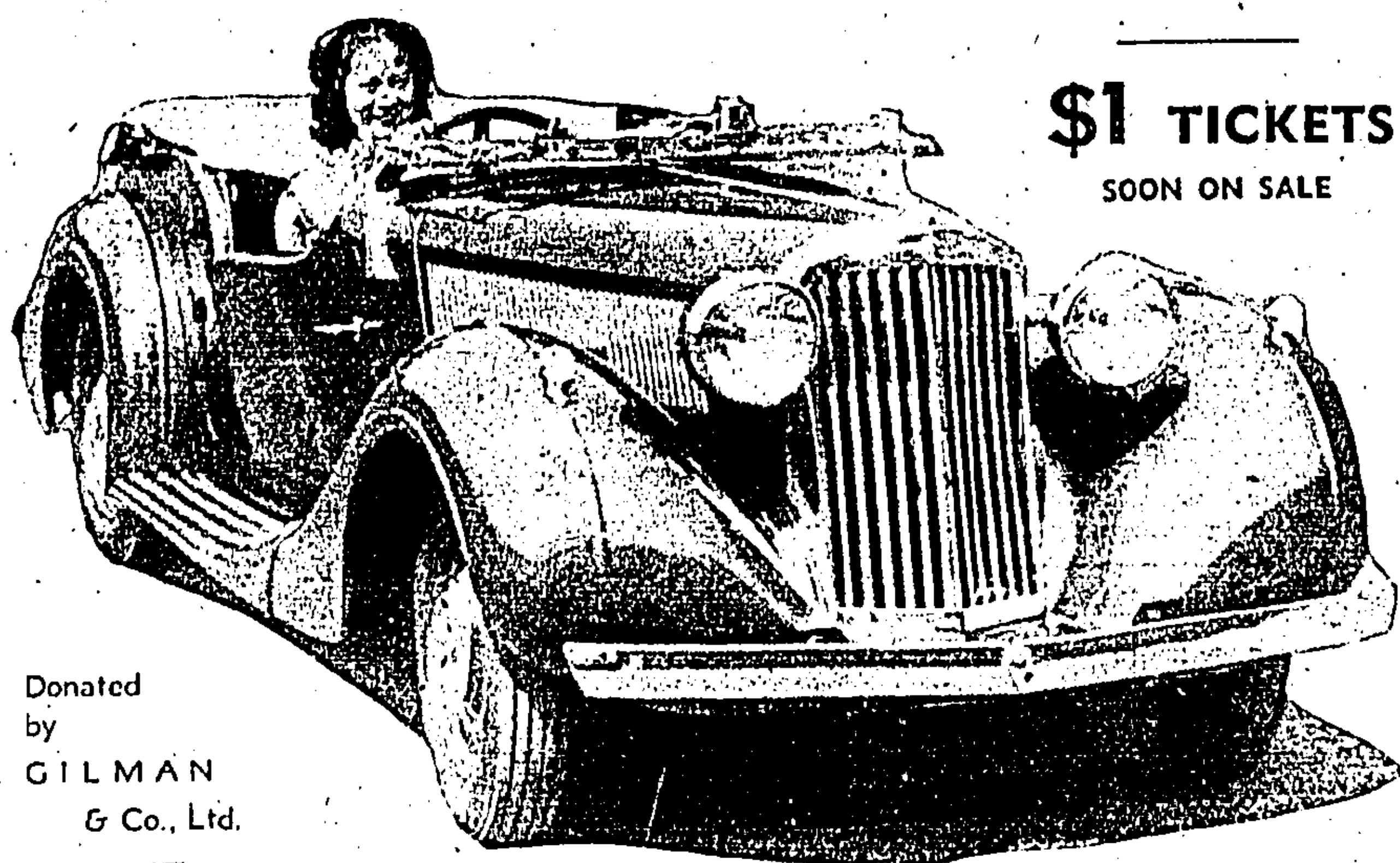


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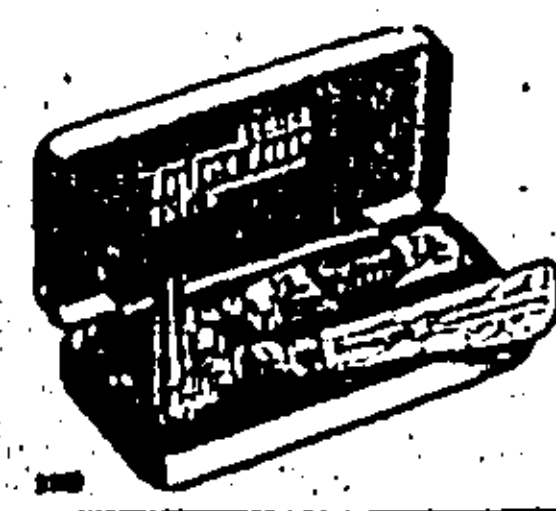
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## SUPPRESSION OF NEWSPAPER

### Reasons Given In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The suppression of the Communist newspaper "Daily Worker," provoked a miniature debate at question-time in the House of Commons to-day.

The Home Secretary, Mr Herbert Morrison, said that the action of the authorities was not taken because of any recent change or development in the character of this publication nor because of the appearance in it of some particular articles, but because it had been for a long period the settled policy of the "Daily Worker" to try to create a state of mind in which readers would refrain from co-operating in the national war effort and become ready to hinder that effort.

It was his firm conviction that the freedom of the press should be maintained even at the risk that it may sometimes be abused. But there is a wide difference between accepting such occasional risks and allowing the continuous publication of newspapers whose deliberate purpose is to weaken the will of the people to achieve victory in the most momentous struggle in our history.

The object of its propaganda is to cause the downfall of the democratic constitutional government, regardless of the consequences to the fate of Britain and her allies.

Before the Government took action there had been a long period of forebearance.

**Conscription of Labour**  
The Communist, Mr W. Gallacher, asked whether the Government's action coincided with the "introduction of proposals to conscript labour" and was meant to suppress all opposition to that proposal.

Mr Morrison said that there was not the slightest connection between the two subjects. When the decision was reached to suppress the "Daily Worker" he had not the slightest knowledge that the other proposal was coming forward.

The Labour member, Mr Aneurin Bevan asked whether an opportunity would be given to discuss the matter in the House.

The Premier intervened to say that if there was sufficient desire to debate the matter naturally an opportunity would be given, and he hoped that the matter would be pressed to a division so "that we may clearly see what is the balance of opinion in the House."

### American Sub Chasers And Small Craft Voted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives has passed the Bill authorising the expenditure of £227,000,000 for the construction of 400 submarine chasers and other small craft and the expansion of shipbuilding facilities. The measure now goes to the Senate.

### Kweichow Cotton

KWEIYANG, Jan. 22 (Central News).—A cotton crop totalling more than 100,000 piculs was harvested last year in Kweichow. Cotton was planted in a total area of 6,800 mow in 39 districts of the province.

## TANGIER STATUS

### Britain's Rights Respected

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

In answering his first question in the House of Commons since resuming the Foreign Secretaryship, Mr Anthony Eden was able to announce "certain definite progress" in the British negotiations with Spain over the recent administrative action in Tangier.

Mr Eden recalled that discussions had been proceeding at Madrid with the view to concluding a provisional agreement concerning British rights and interests in the International Zone of Tangier pending a final settlement.

"Discussions are proceeding satisfactorily," said Mr. Eden. "Although consideration of all the questions involved is not yet fully completed, sufficient progress has been made to justify the view that pending a final settlement, the existing rights of British subjects in the Zone will be safeguarded."

Mr Eden hoped to make a full statement shortly and added that there were no Italian submarines now in Tangier.

### STOCK-EXCHANGE TEMPORARY SPURT

RESULTS FROM TOBRUK

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Sentiment on the Stock Exchange was cheered by the news from Tobruk but an early promise of the resumption of activity failed to materialise. Gilt-edged holdings occasionally strengthened but industrial and oil failed to show any definite trend.

Among foreign bonds, Brazilians were undecided while Far Easterns, especially Japanese, tended to go lower.

Wall Street was quiet.

## Commons Debate On Conscription Scheme

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Representative views were expressed in the House of Commons debate on manpower preceding Mr Winston Churchill's speech.

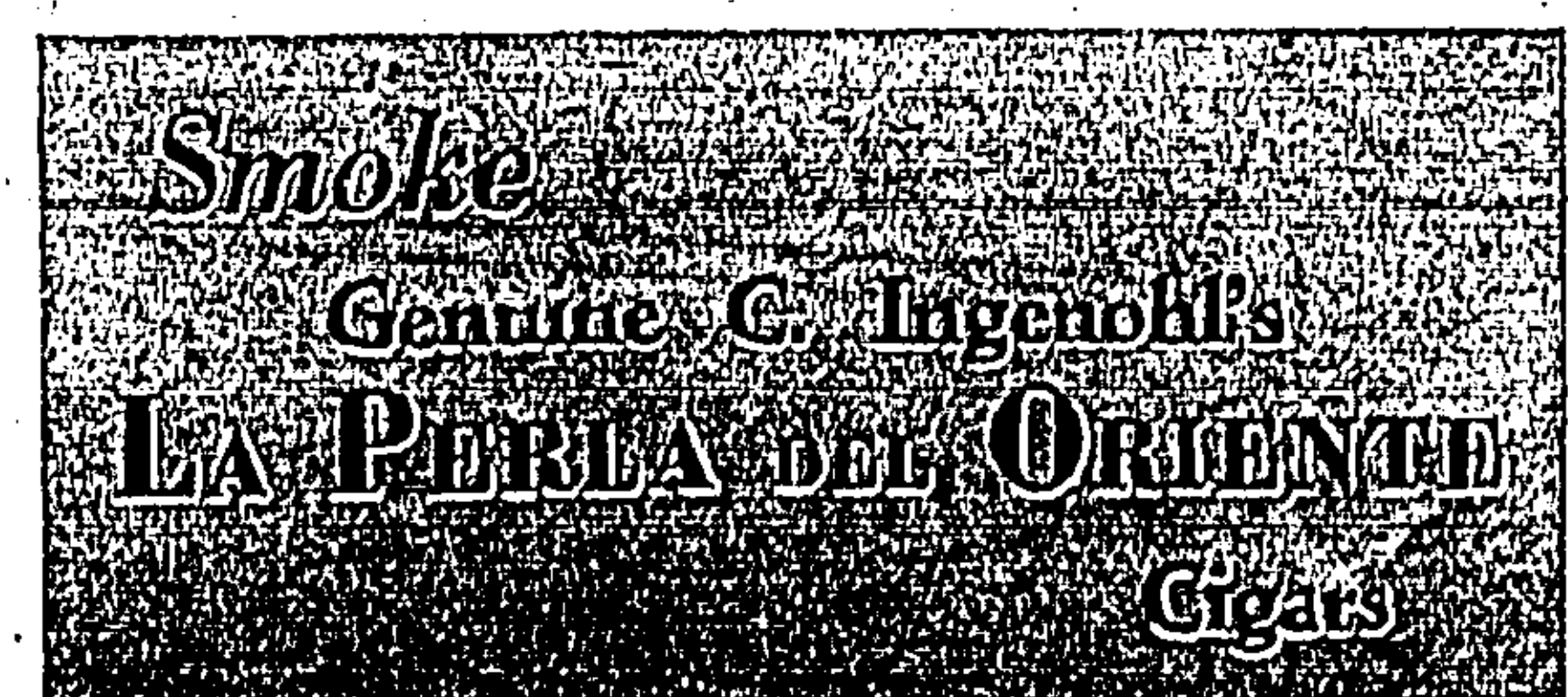
The Independent Member, Mr Clement Davies, who was a leading figure in the so-called "Ginger" group which operated during Mr Chamberlain's premiership, declared that the Government was still doing too little and that property and persons must be subjected to greater discipline.

The Labourite, Mr J. J. Lawson, appealed to members to beware lest they modify or undermine the fine temper and spirit of the great mass of workers.

The Back Bench Conservative, Mr M. S. McCordale, said that there was a certain uneasiness about the nation's production methods. That was obviously felt by Mr Churchill because of the changes he had made in the Government. But he (Mr McCordale) thought that the new production plan would work.

Dr Edith Summerskill pleaded for a propaganda effort to make the nation's womanhood more war-minded.

Another Labourite, Mr A. Woodburn, contended that compulsion within industry was not necessary and would utterly fail.



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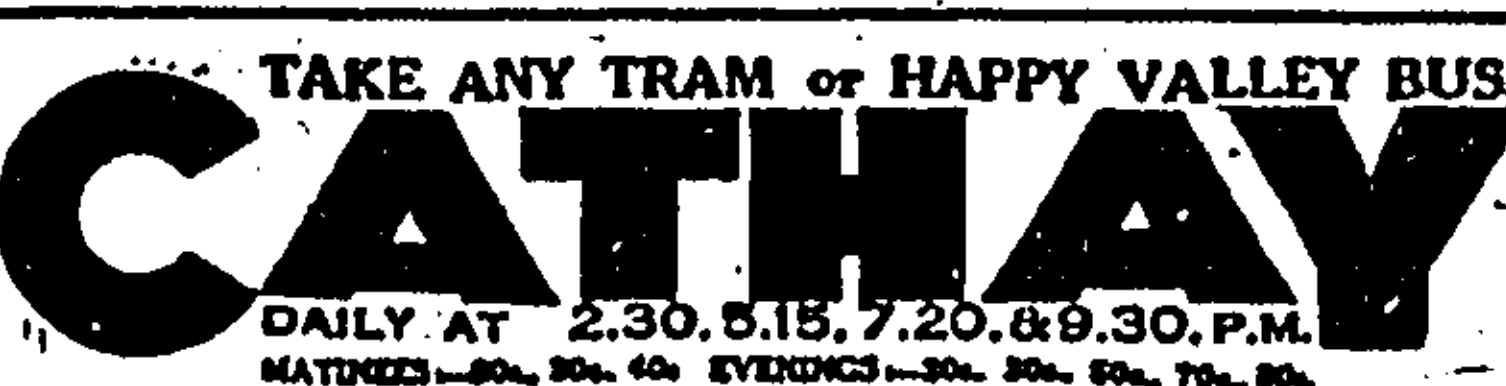
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## Italian Retreat In Eritrea Continues

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frontier, coinciding with the organized rebellion on the part of Ethiopian patriots. The Italians realised that they were unable to hold Kassala against an assault. At the same time its capture by the British has had a heartening effect on the Ethiopian troops.

**South Africans' Part**  
British, Indian and Sudanese troops are assembled along the 1,200 mile front from the Red Sea to the shores of Lake Rudolf and the South Africans have played an important role in providing war material, transport, etc., for this Imperial army.

One South African convoy alone, which on the march had a space of 20 yards between each vehicle, measured 60 miles.

## Republican Jibs At Lease & Lend Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Lease and Lend Bill was described as a measure "to authorise an undeclared war in the name of peace and dictatorship in the name of defending democracy" by Mr. Norman Thomas, the Socialist leader, testifying before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives to-day.

The first formal indication of the attitude of the Republican minority towards the Bill in Congress was given by Senator Charles McNary, the Republican vice-presidential candidate in the recent presidential elections, who announced that he opposed the Bill in its present form "because it grants extraordinary and total power to one person," but emphasised that he favoured all aid to Britain short of war.

## Shirogane Maru Sinks Night At Lintin

The Shirogane Maru arrived in harbour this morning from Canton after laying over at Lintin Island during a rough night. The Japanese Consul General, who had flown from Shanghai to Taihoku to Canton, was a passenger.

The ship delayed her sailing owing to the heavy mist over the river and she lay off Whampoa until 6 p.m. The Hongkong harbour is closed at night and the ship therefore made her way to Lintin Island which is a Japanese air base in the mouth of the river.

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Mr Spender took the "bombing" in good part, saying, "The boys were having a good time. I don't intend to take any action."

## French Council Meets

VICHY, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Council of Ministers met for two hours to-day with Marshal Petain presiding, and it is believed they considered the hostilities in Thailand.

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22 (Central News).—Dr H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan, yesterday gave a luncheon party in honour of members of the China Philharmonic Orchestra, including the conductor Mr Sitson Ma, the Chinese violinist well known in Hongkong.

## PORTUGUESE PIONEERING

A reprint of Mr J. P. Braga's Century broadcast talk, entitled "Portuguese Pioneering: A Hundred Years of Hongkong," has been issued, with reproductions of photographs of the Club Lusitano and Club de Recreio, and of Portuguese Police Reserves and Volunteers.

## Imperial Troops In Streets Of Tobruk

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period, more than 300,000 tons of water was landed," the report added.

**Italian Admission**  
ROME, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's communique stated that the British troops had penetrated the line of strongholds in the eastern sector of Tobruk after bitter fighting throughout the day.

British naval guns shelled Tobruk during the entire night, after which British aviation unceasingly supported the daylight attack. The attacking British troops consisted of three Australian divisions reinforced with two regiments of heavy artillery, two armoured divisions and one French motorized formation.

## Four Buried In Valley Landslide

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P.W.D. coolies had cleared away the debris, including huge granite rocks, and had reached the level of the buried house, but could see no signs of the building. It is believed that the house has probably been buried in the soft ground as a result of the tremendous weight and force of the landslide.

**Wind Capsizes Junk**  
A strong gust of wind capsized a junk by the Star Ferry wharf on Kowloon side yesterday morning. No. 5 Police launch went to the assistance of the vessel and towed it to the railway pier where it was found that the crew had escaped unharm.

## Indo-China-Thai War Settlement?

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representative of the Governor-General, proposing to mediate in the Thai conflict on the ground that Japan is not in favour of a prolongation of the conflict, says a Japanese report. The French representatives are awaiting instructions from the Governor-General and from Vichy.

**Decoux Cancels Trip**  
PNOMPENH, Jan. 22 (UP).—It was suddenly announced this evening that Admiral Decoux, for a reason that has not been disclosed, is cancelling his inspection trip to Cambodia and will return to-night to Saigon from this town. Officials refused to explain.

Sisophon and Mongkolborey were heavily bombed to-day and one Frenchman was killed at Butambang. The small French garrison at Cheomdisan in north Cambodia is still resisting the superior Thai assaults, and an official said that the frontier situation is slightly better.

## MR WILLKIE ON WAY TO U. K.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Mr Wendell Willkie left to-day in the Yankee Clipper en route to London. Before leaving the airport Mr Willkie said, "I believe strongly that the survival of England is the best assurance for keeping America out of this war, and I think that we should support the fighting men of Britain so that they can stop the onslaught of Hitlerism."

"I hope that free men all over the world will join to stop totalitarianism." A borrowed trench helmet was included in Mr Willkie's luggage.

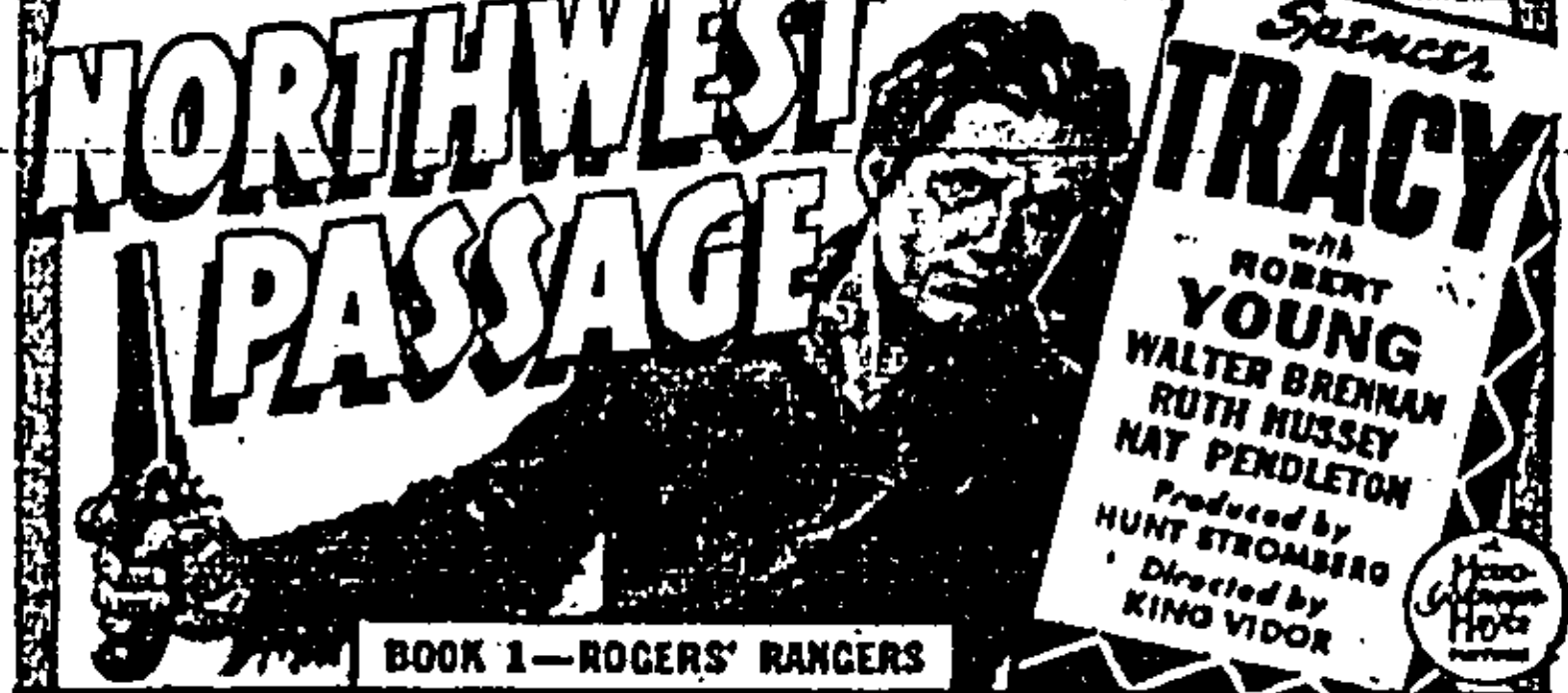
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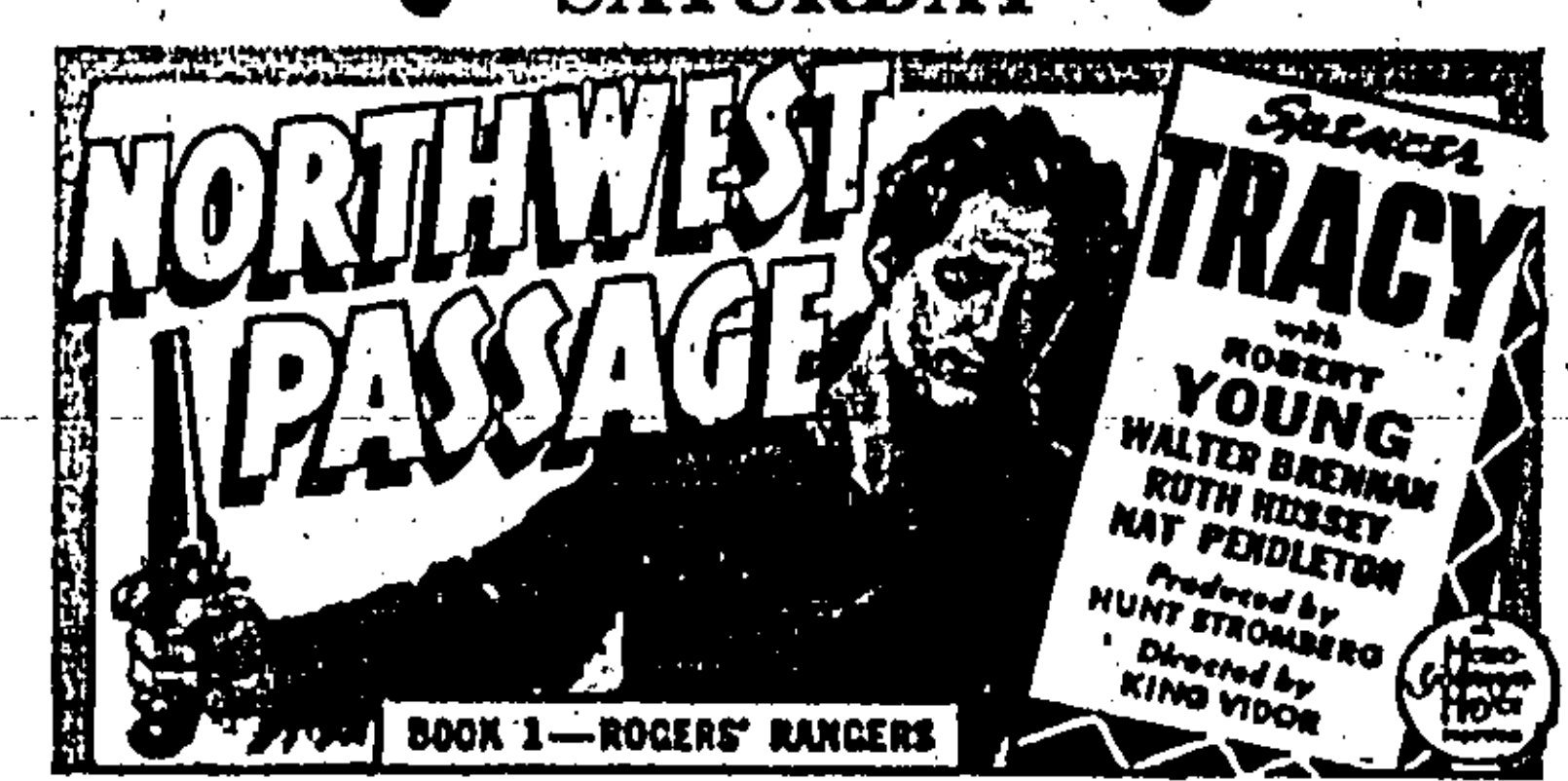
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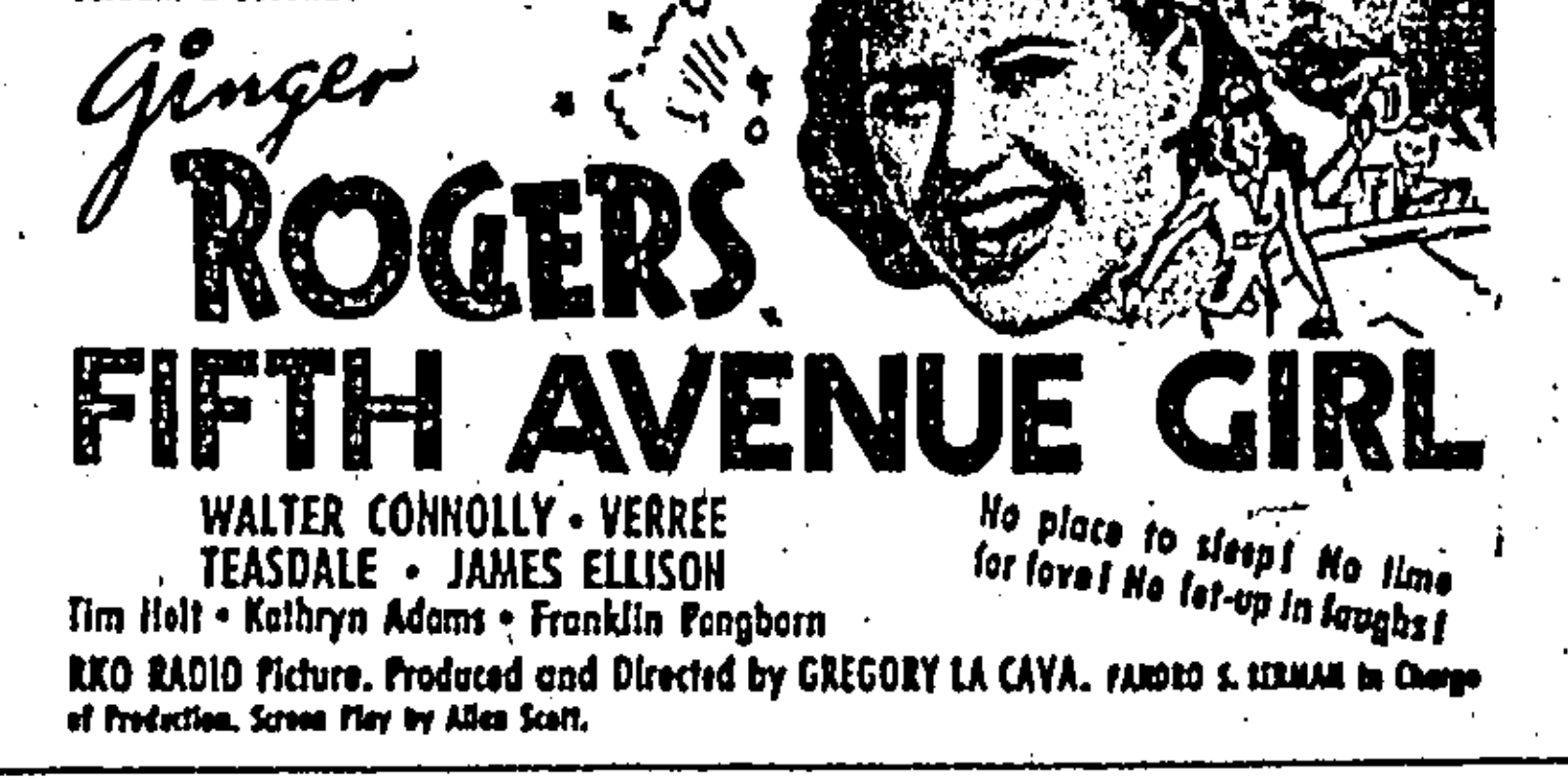
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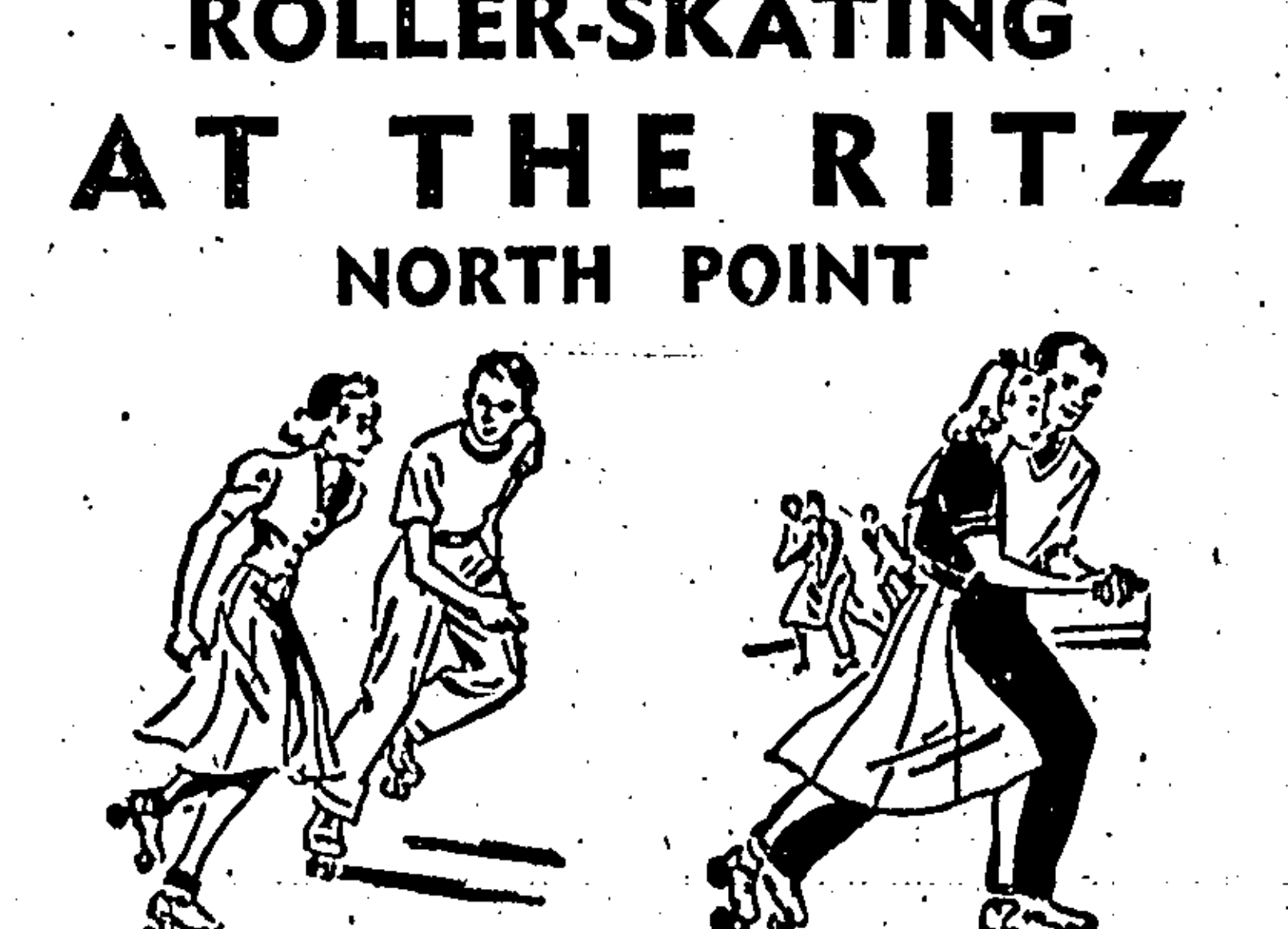
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## London Quiet

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Jan. 23 (UP).—At 1 o'clock this morning it was quiet throughout Britain. Nothing has been reported since 10.10 p.m. last night when the anti-aircraft guns went into action in the eastern area and raiders came inland, but no reports of damage or casualties have been received.

R.A.F. fighter planes destroyed two bombers on Wednesday as the raiders made scattered attacks with little damage and no casualties.

## Greek Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". ATHENS, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Government asserted that in an unspecified sector, the Italians to-day made four counter-attacks but "each engagement was driven back with heavy losses."

Local Action. ATHENS, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Ministry of War announced: "There was local successful action. One hundred and fifty prisoners and abundant war material was captured. The Greek aviation successfully bombed targets along the battle front. All our planes returned safely."

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## Unlawful Possession Of Poisons

Chung Yuen-chai, 35, Chinese doctor and Ho Shuk-yin, 35, Chinese doctor, both of No. 41 Des Voeux Road, Central, were charged before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K. C., at Central Magistrate's Court this morning with unlawful possession of poisons at the above address on January 17.

Sub-inspector C. Goodwin said that defendants were not registered medical practitioners, licensed wholesale dealers, or persons licensed to sell poisons. The poisons they had in possession included Novarsolone, benzol, iphredrine tablets, ampylon, ironocedylate, neo mesarona and ephedrine hydrochloride.

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### AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION

Sunday, January 26th being Anniversary or Foundation Day, a special Australian Service will be conducted by the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 11 a.m. All Australian and New Zealand Residents and others interested are specially invited to attend.

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### NOTICE

#### DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

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- British and Foreign  
20 cents per copy  
25 cents Saturdays.

## Shooting At Baled-Out Airmen

Dozen Enemy Incidents LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Twelve attacks have been made on British airmen after they had baled out from their machines Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary for Air, told the House of Commons in reply to a question.

Sir Archibald said that there was firm evidence to show that at least twelve such contemptible attacks had been made and in four of them the airmen may have been killed.

Asked whether in a view of the fact that such a practice was repugnant to airmen of whatever nationality, some representation might be made through a neutral government to the German and Italian governments, Sir Archibald said that he was not hopeful of such representations.

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Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

12.52 Two Songs by Oscar Nizke (Bass).

Pilarini's Song (Tchaikowsky); Myself When Young (from 'In a Persian Garden'—Liza Lehmann).

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) and Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

1.55 Hawaiian Selections.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7 London Relay.—The News.

7.15 London Relay.—Questions of the Hour.

7.30 London Relay.—Up and Over No. 3.

A Programme of Popular Variety Stars.

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Billy Thorburn at the Piano.

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 Variety.

9 London Relay.—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 Rachmaninoff—Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 43.

Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) with Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

9.53 A Programme of Spanish Music.

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## BUSY WEEK FOR K.C.C.

### Players Chosen For Holiday Matches

K. C. C. cricket teams will play four matches during the week-end and Chinese New Year.

On Saturday, the senior team is at home to the University in a league match, and will be represented by: E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, D. Hung, F. R. Zimmerman, A. Zimmerman, F. L. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge and N. A. E. Mackay. Scorer, T. W. Carr; Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

The second eleven play a league match against Club de Recreo at the Recreo, and the side will be: S. A. Gray, R. Baldwin, E. Curtis, K. M. Madar, W. L. Rapley, K. M. Baxter, F. Goodwin, G. A. Goodwin, H. Brokenshire, L. R. Burch and G. E. Taylor. Twelfth Man, Major W. W. Parsons. Scorer, J. W. Bertram; Umpire, R. Leigh.

The K. C. C. 1st XI have a two-day match on Monday and Tuesday next against the Hongkong Cricket Club on the latter's ground, play starting at 11 a.m. both days. The visitors will field the following team: E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, D. Hung, F. R. Zimmerman, A. Zimmerman, F. L. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, Twelfth man, E. Zimmerman. Scorer, T. W. Carr; Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

On Monday the second eleven will be at home to the Royal Engineers, and will be represented by: S. A. Gray, R. Baldwin, E. Curtis, K. M. Madar, W. L. Rapley, K. M. Baxter, F. Goodwin, G. A. Goodwin, H. Brokenshire, L. R. Burch and G. E. Taylor. Twelfth Man, Major W. W. Parsons. Scorer, J. W. Bertram; Umpire, R. Leigh.

### Indian R. C. Teams

The following will represent the Indian R.C. on Saturday:

First Eleven v. Recreo (League, at home): K. Nazarin (Captain), M. el Arculli, A. H. Rumliah, A. H. Madar, M. P. Madar, A. R. Kitchell, S. A. Ismail, K. M. Rumliah, A. R. H. Esmael, A. R. Minu and A. N. Omer. Second Eleven v. H.M.S. Tamar (Friendly, at King's Park): M. R. Abbas (Captain), A. H. Ismail, A. R. Sufiad, M. I. Rozack, T. Ali, F. A. Currcem, M. B. Hassan, A. el Arculli, M. A. Wahab, A. M. Rumliah and A. Ebrahim.

### Craigengower Teams

The following will represent Craigengower in league and friendly cricket matches on Saturday:

First v. Civil Service, League (Away).—E. Zimmerman (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. B. Hamman, A. J. Hulse, A. Hulse, A. C. Ismail, E. A. Lee, E. Mitchell, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza, J. L. Youngswey Reserve T. H. Edgar.

### Recreo's Junior Team

The following will represent Recreo against Kowloon in a second division league match on Saturday at Recreo:—

E. A. R. Alvarado, F. de Silva, J. H. A. Barros, A. J. M. Prata, A. E. Noronha, F. H. Carvalho, D. T. Gosano, J. A. Soares, F. J. Almeida, M. Almeida Remedios, A. H. Almeida Remedios.

### Two Bombers Downed

Few Nazis Visit Britain LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

Two enemy bombers were destroyed by R.A.F. fighters to-day.

An official communique announcing this states that shortly before dawn bombs were dropped on the Kent coast. Later a single aircraft dropped bombs in East Riding, Yorkshire, but little damage and no casualties were reported.

### U.S. Supreme Court Judge Retiring

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).

Mr Justice McReynolds, of the United States Supreme Court, has notified President Roosevelt that he will retire on February 1.

Mr Justice McReynolds has served on the Court for 20 years. He was the only judge whom the Administration described as "conservative."

His retirement gives President Roosevelt an opportunity to make his sixth appointment to the nine-member Court.

The Attorney-General, Mr Robert H. Jackson, has frequently been mentioned as the next possible appointment.

## U.S. BUYS TIN FROM FAR EAST

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (UP).

The Secretary of Commerce, Mr Jesse Jones announced the purchase of 40,000 tons of Far Eastern tin, of which 15,000 tons has been delivered, 15,000 tons awaiting shipment and the remainder aloft.

The Government also plans to purchase 80,000 tons of Bolivian tin at a cost of \$100,000,000.

The United States tin programme also envisages the buying of about \$90,000,000 of Chinese tin, antimony and wolframite which will be utilised in paying off a portion of the credits to China.

The United States is buying rubber at approximately 40 cents per pound. Industry has promised to maintain at least 105,000 tons for current needs. Additionally, 80,000 tons are on hand and 5,000 tons aloft which belongs to the Commodity Credit Corporation and was obtained from Britain under the 1939 barter agreement.

### A CORRECTION

It was erroneously reported on Tuesday that the Hongkong Police defeated Macao Police in their soccer match in Macao last Sunday. Actually, the Macao team won by 6-1.

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Canton, Saigon, Straits, Friday, Jan. 24

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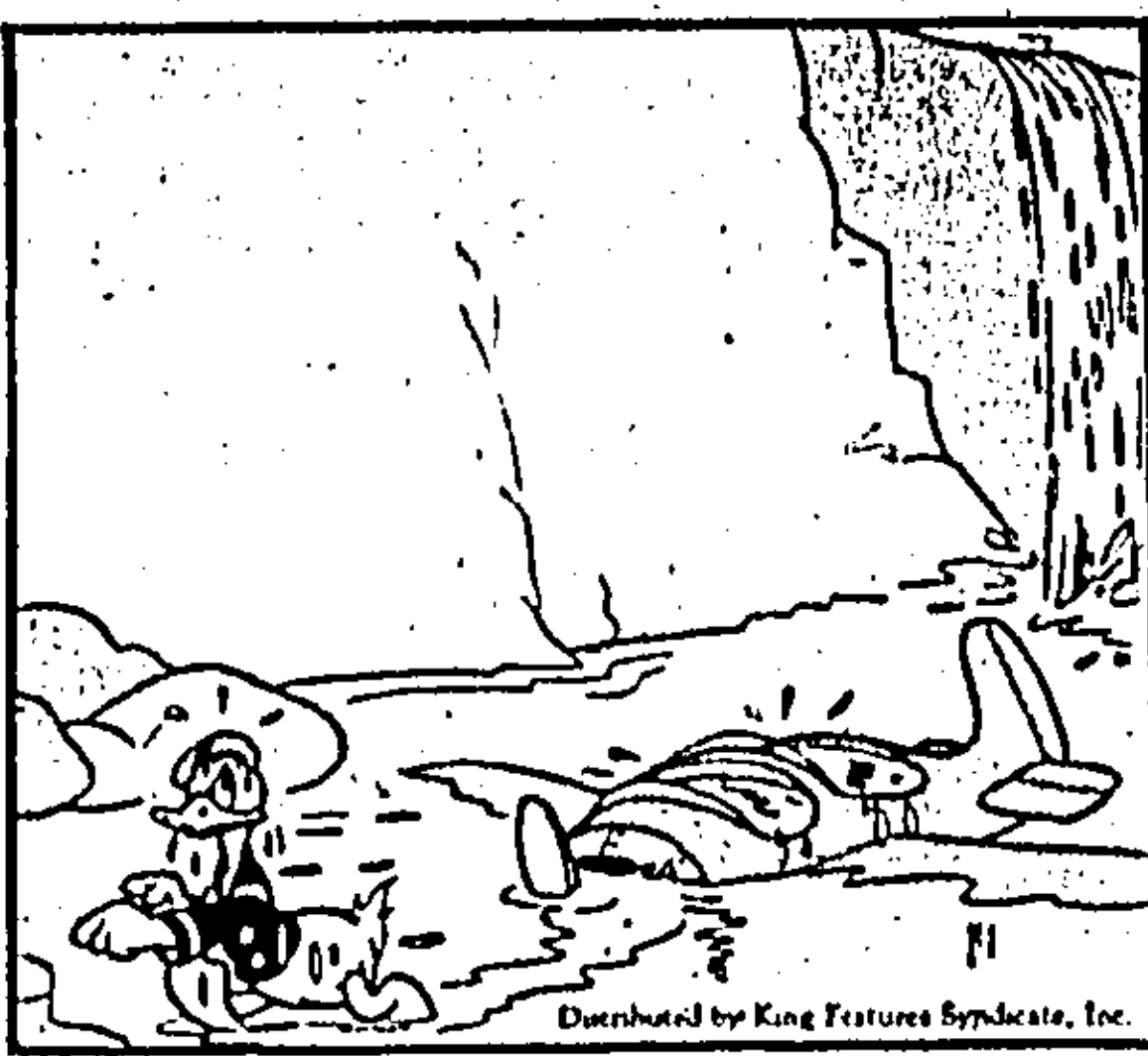
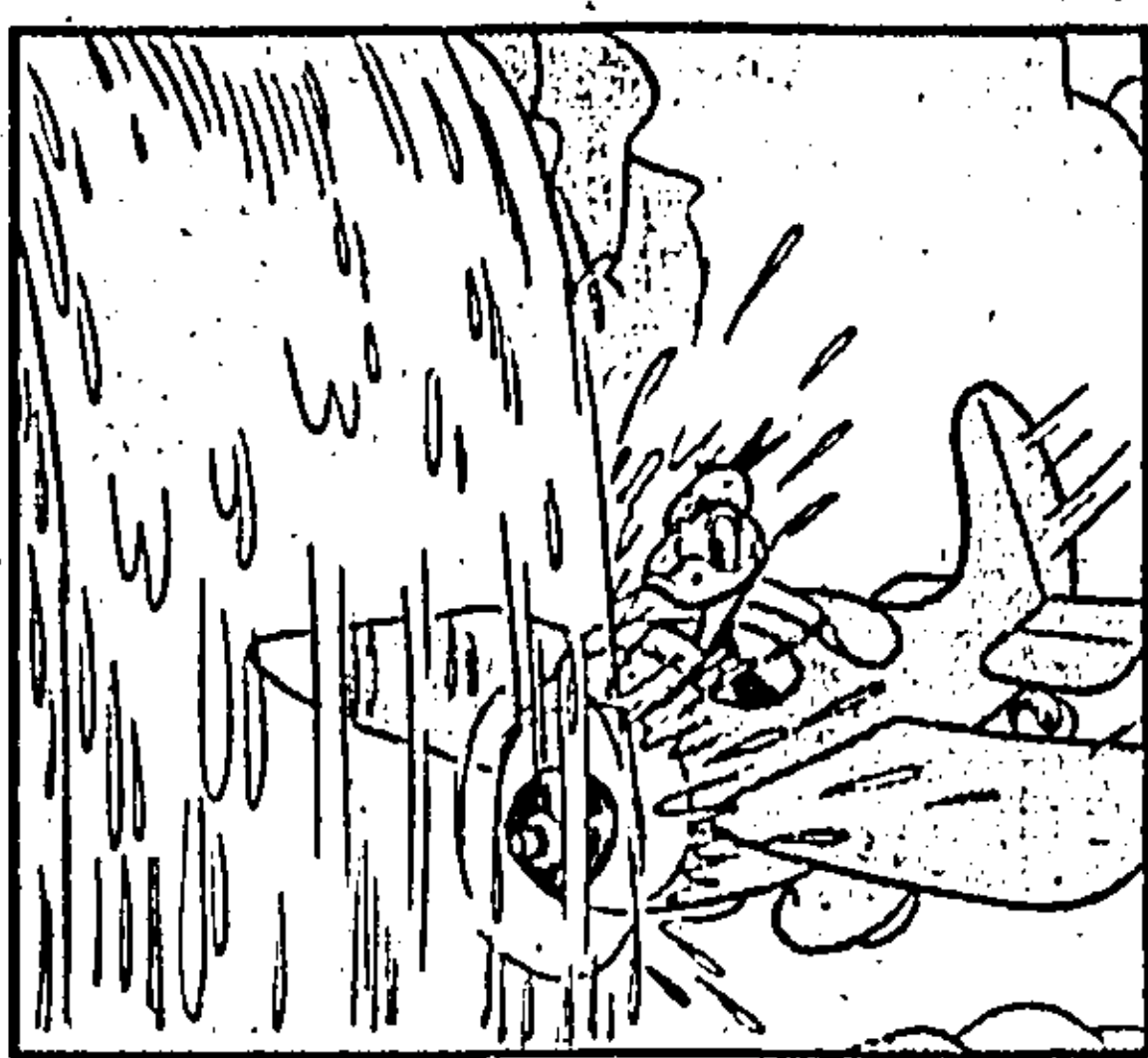
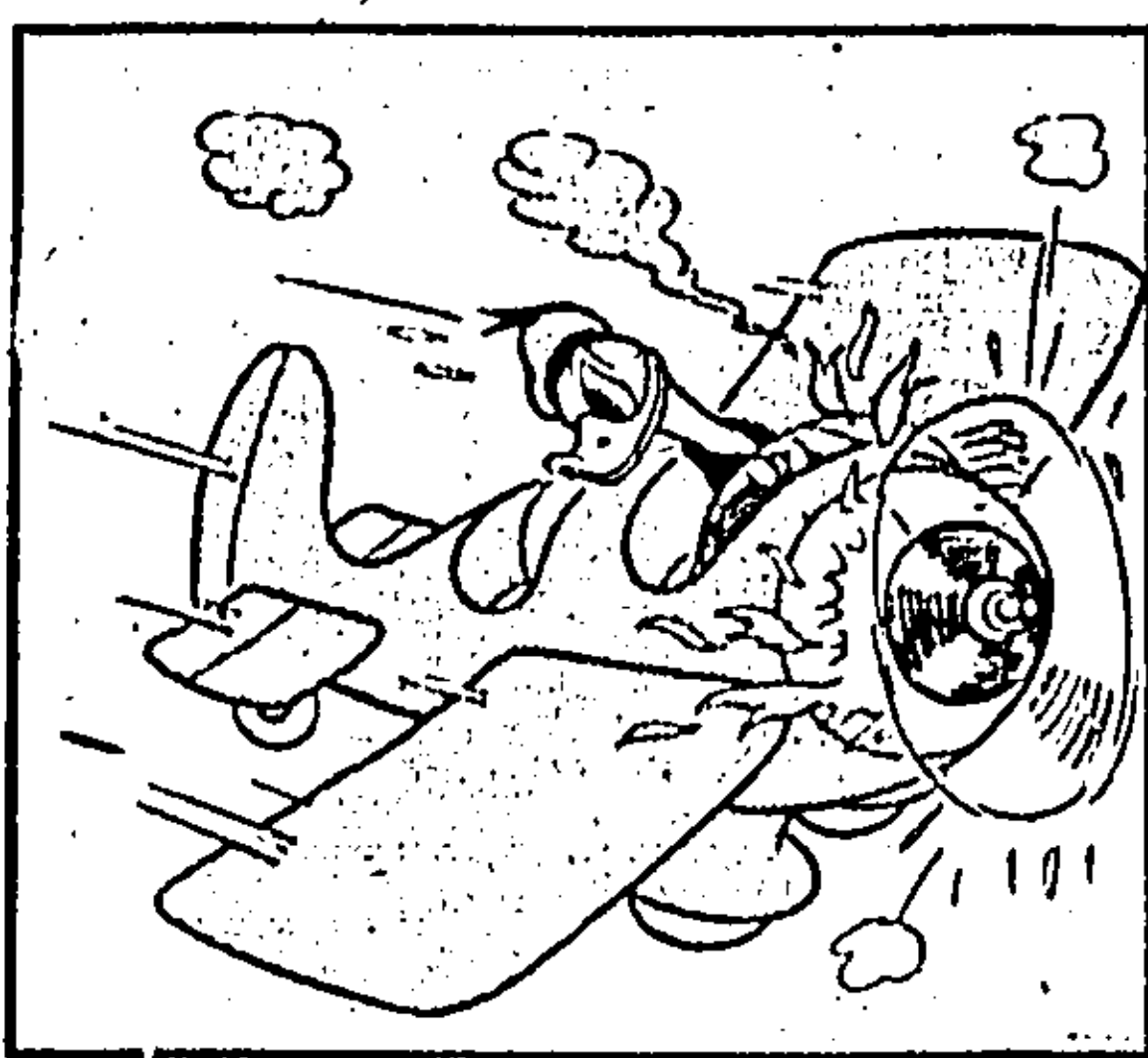
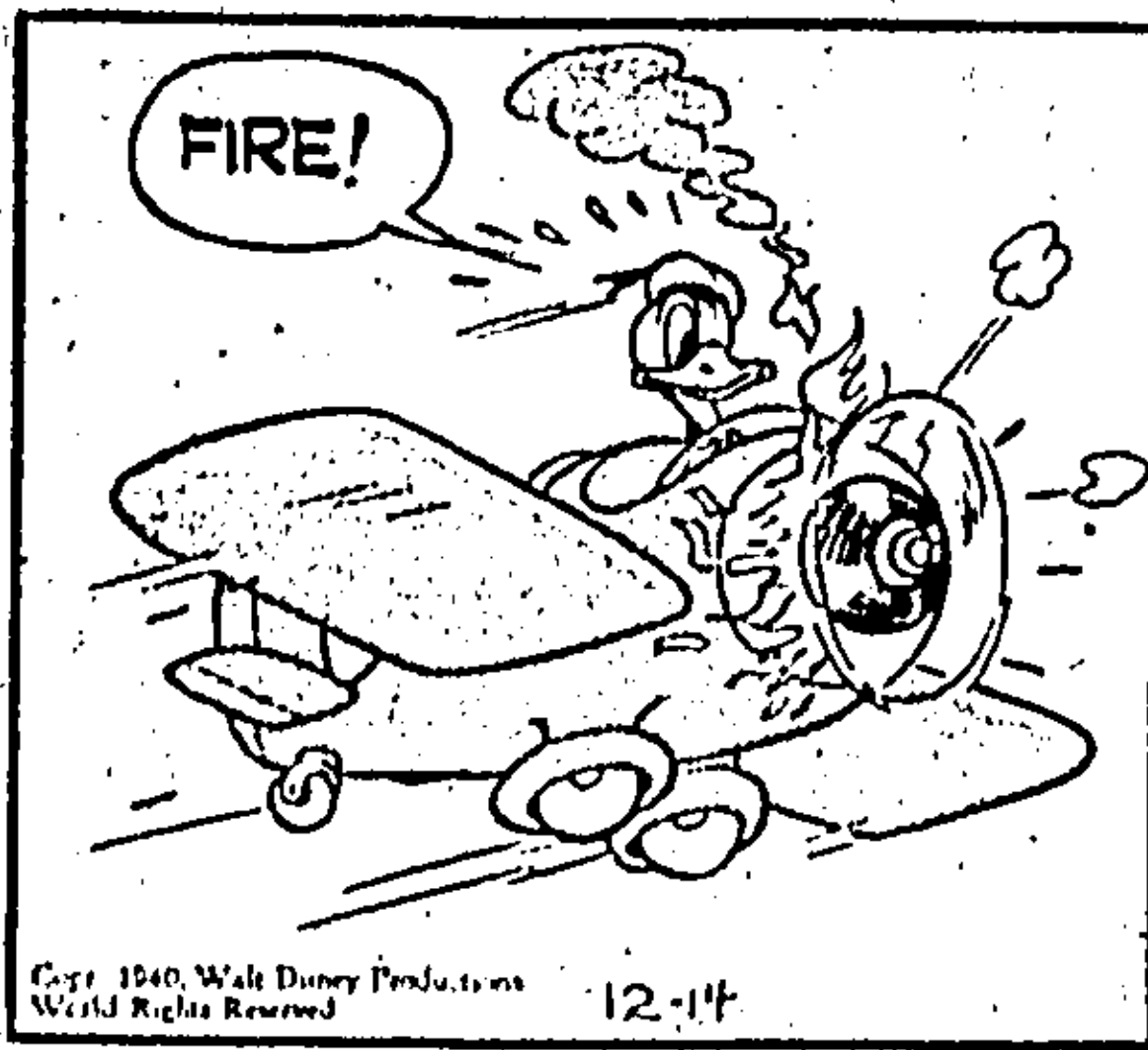
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## Indo-China-Thai War Settlement Forecast

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Jan. 23 (Domei).—A peaceful settlement of the border dispute between French Indo-China and Thailand is near, the newspaper "Asahi" reports in a special dispatch from Bangkok.

The report states that it is expected that French Indo-China will agree to re-demarcating the Luangphrabang region in northern Laos and other border areas along the Mekong River.

**Japanese Mediation**  
HANOI, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—Japanese representatives have interviewed a representative of the Governor-General, proposing to mediate in the Thai conflict on the ground that Japan is not in favour of a prolongation of the conflict, says a Japanese report. The French representatives are awaiting instructions from the Governor-General and from Vichy.

**Decoux Cancels Trip**  
PNOMPENH, Jan. 22 (UP).—It was suddenly announced this evening that Admiral Decoux, for a reason that has not been disclosed, is cancelling his inspection trip to Cambodia and will return to-night to Saigon from this town. Officials refused to explain.

Sisophon and Mongkolborey were heavily bombed to-day and one Frenchman was killed at Batumbang. The small French garrison in Cheongkhan in north Cambodia is still resisting the superior Thai assaults, and an official said that the frontier situation is slightly better.

## Shirogane Maru Spends Night At Lintin

The Shirogane Maru arrived in harbour this morning from Canton after lying over at Lintin Island during a rough night. The Japanese Consul General, who had flown from Shanghai to Taihoku to Canton, was a passenger.

The ship delayed her sailing owing to the heavy mist over the river and she lay off Whampoa until 4 p.m. The Hongkong harbour is closed at night and the ship therefore made her way to Lintin Island which is a Japanese air base in the mouth of the river.

## Leap From 8-Storey Building Shanghai Suicides

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (UP).—Shanghai's usual wave of pre-Chinese New Year suicides by debt-ridden individuals, started to-day with three deaths, the most spectacular of which was an eight-storey dive by a well-dressed Chinese, whose fall was broken by a trolley wire just before striking the pavement.

The jumper was apparently not badly hurt but was taken to hospital for treatment of minor head cuts. The attendants congratulated him on his narrow escape and one hour later he suddenly died.

The man could not be identified, the only thing in his pockets being one pawn ticket. He dived off the roof of the Sun Company Department Store on Nanking Road, in the heart of the International Settlement.

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22 (Central News).—Dr H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan, yesterday gave a luncheon party in honour of members of the China Philharmonic Orchestra, including the conductor Mr. Sison Ma, the Chinese violinist well known in Hongkong.

## Italian Retreat In Eritrea Continues

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuters).—The Italian retreat in Eritrea is continuing, according to the latest reports received here.

No serious fighting has occurred but the British forces are in close pursuit and are harrying the Italian rear.

The enemy are expected to offer resistance at Agordat, a railroad some 80 miles from the frontier, where presumably they will occupy prepared positions.

**G. H. Q. Communique**  
CAIRO, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique is also steadily giving ground in the face of our continued pressure.

"In Kenya, enemy detachments which have been established on our side of the frontier since the outbreak of hostilities, are everywhere being driven back by intense patrol activities."

"In the Sudan, on the Kassala sector, pursuit of the Italian forces continues, and they have now withdrawn over 40 miles eastward from the frontier."

**Advance In Eritrea**  
The withdrawal of the Italians into the highlands of Eritrea has left the British to take the initiative in a 50-mile advance over ground which undoubtedly has been prepared with mines and booby traps.

After their defeat in the Western Desert, the Italians are taking no risks and at the last minute are hurriedly endeavouring to withdraw both material and troops in order to shorten their lines of communications.

This withdrawal has been dictated by the gathering of strong British forces along the Sudan-Ethiopian frontier, coinciding with the organized rebellion on the part of Ethiopian patriots.

The Italians realised that they were unable to hold Kassala against an assault. At the same time its capture by the British has had a heartening effect on the Ethiopian troops.

**South Africans' Pace**  
British, Indian and Sudanese troops are assembled along the 1,200 mile front from the Red Sea to the shores of Lake Rudolf and the South Africans have played an important role in providing war material, transport, etc., for this Imperial army.

One South African convoy alone, which on the march had a space of 20 yards between each vehicle, measured 60 miles.

## Exchange Of Civilian Prisoners

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuters).—"In view of the privations suffered by women and children of Palestinian families detained in Germany" the British government is endeavouring to expedite the exchange of such persons with German women and children at present detained in Palestine.

Action has already been taken, Mr G. H. Hall, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, told the House of Commons and it was hoped as a result of the good offices of the United States to effect such an exchange on a reciprocal basis. Negotiations are somewhat protracted but they are going on as speedily as possible.

## MR WILLKIE ON WAY TO U.K.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuters).—Mr Wendell Willkie left to-day in the Yankee Clipper en route to London.

Before leaving the airport Mr Willkie said: "I believe strongly that the survival of England is the best assurance for keeping America out of this war, and I think that we should support the fighting men of Britain so that they can stop the onslaught of Hitlerism."

"I hope that free men all over the world will join to stop totalitarianism."

A borrowed trench helmet was included in Mr Willkie's luggage.

## Amah Murdered While In Charge Of Flat

The death of an amah by suffocation during a robbery at No. 60 Argyle Street, first floor, Kowloon, on November 24, was recalled at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when three men stood their trial before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, on a charge of murder. Accused were Lui Shek, 22, Tam Wang-kit, 34, and Chan Fui, 35.

Mr J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Lui was defended by Mr H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr A. de Silva; Tam by Mr George She, instructed by Mr F. X. d'Almada; and Chan by Mr H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr Kan Yuet-keung.

The following jurors were empanelled: Messrs E. C. Xavier (Foreman), E. Humphrey, Luk Man-joh, Ho Shau-look, William Hu Ching-kong, L. Mercado and Chan Kam-shing.

Mr Murphy said that first and second accused were charged with the murder of Tsui Kuen, a woman, and third accused with aiding and abetting the other two in the crime. Tsui was employed as an amah by Chan Shun-nam and his family, who lived at No. 60 Argyle Street, first floor, Kowloon, where Chan conducted a small school. On November 24, Chan and his family went to church about 11.30 a.m. and left the amah alone on the floor. About 1.30 p.m. Chan's wife returned to the flat and found the door open. Going to the rear cubicle, she saw the amah lying on the floor, face downwards. Her hands and ankles were bound and she was dead. The cubicle was in disorder and several articles of clothing and a sum of money were missing.

**Killed By Gag**  
The Police were called and on arrival, found that Tsui had been suffocated by a gag which had been placed on her mouth and, in particular, by her false teeth which had been forced back by the gag. Death was due to suffocation caused by the gag and false teeth. The doctor would also say that the body of the woman was bruised in many places, said Mr Murphy. The Police found a brown paper parcel containing wood shavings just inside the door to the flat.

Chan Fui, he continued, was a relative of Chan Shun-nam, and had previously stayed with him and his family at Argyle Street. He therefore knew the general routine of the household, and in particular must have known that it was their invariable custom to go to church every Sunday and leave the door deserted except for the amah.

"All the accused are unemployed and used to live in a hut on the roof of a house in Temple Street," Mr Murphy went on. "You will hear evidence of how the three accused planned to rob the house, of third accused telling the others the arrangements in the house on Sunday mornings. You will also hear how they agreed that they should go to the door and gain admittance by telling the amah they had a parcel containing a gift for her master. Having gained admittance, the amah was to be guarded while they stole what they could find."

**Prepared to Use Violence**  
"The Crown case is that the three accused went to the address prepared to use violence and that first and second accused did in fact use violence which caused the death of Tsui. We further allege that the third accused stayed outside the house, waiting to prevent the other two from being surprised or to assist in their escape, and that he knew the first and second accused would use force to gain their aim of robbery."

"Unless the deceased woman was a party to the conspiracy to rob her master, it must be assumed that the accused men must have known it was necessary for them to use some violence towards her in order to commit robbery. The Crown, also, relies on what obviously is the only inference you can come to, on the fact that the wire and cord used to bind the deceased woman had not been on the floor previously and must have been brought by the accused when they went to rob, showing that they intended to use violence against the amah."

**Admission to Friend.**  
"I will call evidence to prove that first accused admitted to a friend that he himself had gagged the deceased woman, and I will further call evidence to prove that the three accused had admitted going to the house to rob. You will also hear evidence of the recovery of articles which had been stolen from various pawnshops."

Continuing, Mr Murphy said that when Lui was charged with murder, he made a statement in which he said there was such an affair. He added that it was Chan Fui's plan and that Chan asked him and Tam to go to the Sui Nam School. It was Tam, he said, who actually robbed the woman while defendant collected and took possession of the property. Second accused, in his statement,

## Destroyers Cross The Atlantic

U.S. Ships For Britain

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuters).—The 50 destroyers traded to Britain were now "on the other side," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, told a press conference to-day.

He said that there was one possible exception, namely that of the destroyer which was damaged in collision after being transferred; but, Colonel Knox added, even this "may be over there now."

Replying to a question, Colonel Knox denied that the British were asking for American cruisers of the Wichita type. "As a matter of fact, they are not asking for any more of our ships," he said.

## Pig Shortage Eased

Supplies Reach Colony From Kwangchowwan

The shortage of pigs in the Colony has been relieved in some measure by the arrival yesterday from Kwangchowwan of more than 500 animals, and the release to the market of over 1,000 which breeders in the New Territories have been keeping back for the New Year trade.

Another shipment of pigs is expected from Kwangchowwan in the next few days. Regular shipments of rice are also being received from Thailand, 30,000 bags, or approximately 60,000 piculs, having been landed in the past two days. Further consignments are expected to arrive within the next fortnight.

Information received by rice dealers states that the Japanese in Indo-China have come to an agreement with the French authorities to buy up all rice available for export.

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Pence set in ditch
- 2—Tribunal
- 3—Crane
- 4—Approximately elliptical
- 5—River Germany
- 6—Part of body (pl.)
- 7—Transact business
- 8—Compound of iodine
- 9—Mine exit
- 10—Holes of soldiers
- 11—Became white
- 12—Bling into bondage
- 13—Fall suddenly (col.)
- 14—Heaving powder
- 15—First Italian dialect
- 16—Of big dimensions
- 17—Ceremonies
- 18—Third king of Judah
- 19—Pulse-like instrument
- 20—Crisp up
- 21—Pernicious
- 22—Looks for
- 23—Commerce
- 24—Lack region between earth and shades
- 25—Grooved
- 26—Metal-producing rocks
- 27—Grain
- 28—Dress
- 29—Exciting economy
- 30—Greater in degree
- 31—Longest in France
- 32—Airplane (col.)
- 33—Conception
- 34—Mistake
- 35—Sticks face
- 36—Allows

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

- 1—Large body of men
- 2—Blaze positively
- 3—Luminous circle
- 4—Process of mixing metals
- 5—Leaps about playfully
- 6—Exclamation expressing astonishment
- 7—Are carried
- 8—Acts as interviewing
- 9—Mistake
- 10—Marks with soft
- 11—Famous opera
- 12—Festive
- 13—Italian ancestral family of house of
- 14—Hundred
- 15—Corn bread
- 16—Chalice
- 17—Weird
- 18—Blind
- 19—Wear down
- 20—Unit of gem weight
- 21—No as not to be
- 22—overboard
- 23—Crisp up
- 24—Closed up again
- 25—Wide intervals
- 26—Certain
- 27—Lion
- 28—North wind (Greek)
- 29—Directa for information
- 30—Large amount at hand
- 31—Man's name
- 32—Drilling
- 33—Warrior allowance for transportation
- 34—Male parent
- 35—Waters
- 36—Skilled vocations
- 37—Not recovered
- 38—Unit of length

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### LOSING AN EMPIRE

THE entry of the Nazi Luftwaffe into the Mediterranean war theatre, and the talks between Hitler and Mussolini at Berchtesgaden pointedly synchronise; there is a widespread belief that Germany is to take control of the Axis war machine in the Mediterranean. But there are good reasons to feel that Nazi intervention on behalf of her partner has come too late. The capture of Tobruk by British forces virtually seals the fate of Libya as a part of the Italian Empire. Its strategic importance cannot be over emphasised for ever since Libya fell under Italian sovereignty in 1912, Italy has developed Tobruk as a naval base. Its potentialities in this respect were recognised as long ago as the late 18th century when one writer observed: "It is as a future man-of-war harbour that Tobruk is likely to be important. It has been visited by both British and Italian squadrons and has become an object of considerable solicitude to the government of Italy."

Italy's solicitude for Tobruk and the advantages it offered developed into sheer hunger which found satisfaction in the crusade of 1911-12 when Tripoli was wrested from Turkish control. Now Italy has lost Tobruk, and just as the fall of Bardia made practically impossible the successful defence of the naval port, so will the loss of Tobruk compromise beyond hope the position of Derna and Benghazi. Control of this part of the North African coast will provide Britain with an immeasurable advantage in countering Nazi intervention in the Mediterranean; neither must the great strategic value of Crete, which the British have occupied since the disastrous Italian venture against Greece, be forgotten.

It is true that the German Luftwaffe can have a tremendous nuisance value in the Middle East, but warplanes cannot save Libya for Italy, nor prevent the success of the British and Abyssinian offensive in Eritrea and Ethiopia. There is a natur-

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This is the reputation a tragic and lovely part of Europe has gained from being the place periodically chosen by Great Powers for a battleground.

### Eyes South

To-day Hitler, having tested the waters of our English Channel with his toe for some months, and found them too cold, has turned southward to dreams of conquest in the Mediterranean and Africa.

And the unhappy Balkans, which lie in between, are his first stepping stones.

The Balkans are Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece; the tiny statelet of Albania also counts among them; and Turkey, too, ranks as a Balkan Power because, since Chanak, she still has that one foot in Europe which we fought the last Great War, among other things, to deny her.

Happy we are to-day that she has that one foot on the European side of the Dardanelles, because as long as she is there we have a chance of checking Hitler's southward drive on the edge of Europe.

### Our Chance

We have a chance of keeping a foothold there ourselves, of checkmating his plan to close the Dardanelles and the Black Sea and to bottle-up Russia until he has conquered us and is ready to strike at her.

Incidentally, you should never speak of Hungary as a Balkan Power unless you wish mortally to offend a Hungarian.

This is not so much because Hungary is, in fact, remote from the mountain range which gives the Balkan Peninsula its name, but because Hungary dearly loves to think that she belongs to "the West," its civilisation and its culture.

For centuries the sufferings of Europe have reached their highest point in the Balkans.

A hundred years ago, when they won their freedom, the golden age seemed to have dawned for them.

In practice, the greed and rapacity of Great European Powers have made this last century not much better, for them, than the centuries they

al hesitation to pronounce early judgment, but certainly there are indications that Italy, as a militant Power, is nearing the end of her tether. Her forces are in flight on two fronts in the Middle East; and she has been driven halfway-out of Albania. It is a disheartening blow to the Axis which is not likely to be recouped even with the assistance of German military ingenuity.



## —but skilfully manipulated, they can easily trip up Adolf

endured under the old Turkish years ago, wonders to what sort of kingdom he will succeed when he comes of age next year.

This, and not their own shortcomings, has prevented them from settling down, from building progressive and peaceful States.

This is the reason why a Balkan King has only the ultimate choice between abdication and assassination (I can think of but two or three exceptions to this rule).

In Spain, King Carol of Rumania, his throne already

too—and we shall have millions of allies in the Balkans.

But for the present their lot is hard. If Greece succumbs the whole of the Balkans pass under German-Italian domination.

Jugoslavia, as you soon will see if Greece falls, will be partitioned.

Hitler will take the northern part, which used to belong to the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and which will give Germany her longed-for port on the Adriatic.

### By DOUGLAS REED

(Distinguished Commentator on European Affairs and Author of "Insanity Fair")

lost, is fighting against Hitler's actively to send his troops and Himmler's attempt to force against Greece.

General Franco to surrender him.

If it should succeed, King Carol's fate would be tragic, for Hitler has never forgiven him the execution, immediately after a visit to Berchtesgaden, of the Rumanian Nazi leader, Corneliu Codreanu.

In London, at the Ritz Hotel, you may see King Zog of Albania, with his Queen Geraldine, the American-Hungarian, whom he married, and his little son, who takes his outing in the park with two Albanian guards always in attendance.

Strange tricks our times play on the men who have at one time or another occupied the front of the European stage: King Zog, once a Colonel in the Imperial Austrian Army, some times passes on the steps of the Ritz a former Austrian cavalry officer—Prince Starhemberg, now a pilot in General de Gaulle's Air Force.

Not far from the Ritz is Brown's Hotel, which some years ago had a modest and retiring guest—the present King George of Greece, who now sits on his throne in Athens for the second time and watches the Italian invader striking towards his capital.

"Can the British help me to hold on to part of Greece, or am I booked to return to Brown's Hotel, there to hope for a second restoration?" These are the thoughts that fill King George's mind to-day.

In Jugoslavia, young King Peter, his father murdered six

### Can We Do It?

Mussolini will take most of the Dalmatian coast, while a tiny Serbia would be left in mock independence.

Bulgaria would pass under German domination as effectively as Hungary.

Then Turkey would be given the choice of fighting or yielding, as some others have yielded, and, with Hitler coming down through Spain to Gibraltar and through Syria towards Egypt the battle for the Mediterranean, for Africa and the British Empire would begin in earnest.

The Balkans are but stepping-stones—but, if we could manipulate them skilfully, they could still trip Hitler up.

## Carol Says 'Lupescu Is My Wife'

"TO save Magda Lupescu from being sent back to Rumania, where she would face a charge of complicity in murder, ex-King Carol is understood to have told the Spanish authorities that he is married to her."

The wedding is said to have taken place in London some years ago.

The Rumanian Government is asking for Mme. Lupescu's extradition, claiming that she is implicated in the murder of the Iron Guard leader Codreanu.

Accompanied by four secretaries, three valets, and two maids, Carol and Lupescu have a twelve-roomed suite in Madrid's Palace Hotel, overlooking the Plaza del Neptuno.

Mme. Lupescu has not left her suite. Those who have seen her say she is haggard, and spends a large part of her time weeping.

### A Hard Lot

If we could awaken faith in Britain among those millions in the Balkans they would be worth armies to us.

But they have not the faith in us that they had a hundred years ago, and in the last ten years, especially, they have come to doubt us.

What they want from us is not the promise of "democracy"—people in this country cannot understand how the word has lost credit in recent years—but the promise of "liberation."

And they want also, and soon, some kind of success, even a small success, as an earnest of our strength, to re-awaken their ago-old belief in our arms and our vigour.

Just give them that—and the people of this country need it.



## BUILDING 200 SHIPS IN U. S. A.

### Replacing World Shortage

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Emergency appropriation of \$313,000,000 for building 200 new cargo ships to meet the threat of a world shipping shortage, was recommended today by the House Appropriations Committee.

This followed a statement by Rear Admiral Land, Chairman of the Committee, that the sinking of merchantmen by German submarines and planes was the principal reason for the new programme.

The money is to be handed by the Maritime Commission which has already begun preliminary work on the programme.

The ships are to be simplified with a uniform design. Rear Admiral Land estimated that the first will be ready 11 months after the contract is placed and that the total programme will be finished in two years.

### Nords Won't Work In Germany

#### Call For Volunteers Fails

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—German efforts to recruit an army of workers in Norway—20,000 is the figure mentioned—have failed, according to information reaching London.

An official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare stated today that the Germans had planned to transfer the workers via Sweden. Appeals made by the Quisling authorities had met with singularly little success and the Norwegian Trade Union organisations had refused to co-operate in the enterprise.

The first 5,000 volunteers had been scheduled to leave for Germany in the middle of January but did not do so because of the determined opposition of the workers.

Oslo should have supplied 1,000 men but the Norwegian capital failed to provide even 200. This failure to attract Norwegians to German employment has been brought about in the face of severe unemployment in Norway.

### PRECAUTION AFTER BABY ARRIVES

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## Insecurity Of Future Stressed By Aged Japanese Statesman

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Domei).—The resolution urging the strengthening of Japan's wartime structure in view of the mounting world crisis was moved by the 78-year-old veteran Parliamentarian, Mr Chuji Machida, former president of the defunct Minseito Party.

He declared at the general session of the House of Representatives this afternoon that the anti-Japanese nature of Britain and the United States is becoming increasingly evident and by applying economic pressure to Japan and assisting Chiang Kai-shek they are attempting to lead the two Oriental nations to mutual attrition.

"These hostile Powers are utterly under-estimating and judging wrongfully Japan's actual resources," the statesman charged. "Japan's actual strength, is far from yielding to such pressure. We are fully convinced that sufficient materials to provide for a long war have already been prepared."

"Thanks to the successive victories achieved by the Imperial forces in China are now secured and their development coupled with the development of Manchuria is now steadily progressing."

"If our people bear hardships, render devoted service to the State, simplify their modes of living and go forward with the great constructive task, all difficulties will be overcome and a glorious future will be opened for the Empire. It is the traditional spirit of our glorious Empire to reject rigorously any Powers attempting to threaten the Imperial right of existence."

### Expand Production

"In order to complete a highly organised national defence State it is most urgent to expand production."

"While we must realise that the life of the people may further decline according to the developments of the situation, the people are prepared to make any sacrifice if required for the State. Since they are all the loyal subjects of the Throne, the administrator should endeavour not to see any member of the nation taking an improper place."

"As the emergency situation progresses there are rising voices criticising the bureaucrats. While it is also most necessary to reform the official service system, the Premier, Prince Konoye, is called upon to deal with the situation with a firm determination and to execute his duty in the spirit of exhausting one's efforts until death. We also pledge ourselves to serve the Diet to the utmost of our abilities and thereby set at ease His Majesty's anxiety."

As the veteran Parliamentarian descended from the rostrum in the midst of rousing cheers, the Premier, mounted the rostrum and declared: "The Government fully endorses the resolution which has just been explained. It is indeed a matter for congratulation for the State that such a resolution designed to effectuate national unity has been approved in view of the grave situation facing the nation. While the Government is contemplating all possible measures for meeting the recent internal and international situation, it will endeavour to act up to the spirit of the present measure."

The resolution then was carried by a unanimous standing vote. After a brief recess, the motion to forgo questioning of the Diet speeches by Ministers was presented and approved by the House which adjourned at 4.20 p.m.

### Interpellations Banned

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (UP).—The House today adopted a resolution to support the Government and to strengthen swiftly the national wartime structure in order to meet the grave situation and also to abandon interpellation of the Cabinet ministers' opening speeches, which are a feature of the sessions.

This is expected to start to-morrow, when the Government policies are scheduled for questioning, but at a

sharply curtailed rate compared to the past. It is indicated that the Peers will also curtail interpellations.

### Terms of Resolution

TOKYO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The resolution which was passed by the plenary session house, reads "whereas the international situation grows tenser and tenser every day, whereas our nation is always solicitous for the maintenance of world peace, we

are firmly determined to frustrate all attempts to violate our living sphere. "Whereas this grave situation calls for the strengthening of our war organisation promptly, be it resolved therefore, that all policies and administrative measures of government be concentrated on attaining this object, and that the Diet bend its efforts to upholding the Government with the entire nation going forward to meet the emergency situation."

## Hongkong's Eleventh January Thunderstorm

For the eleventh time in its history, Hongkong this morning suffered a January thunderstorm.

The thunder pealed and the rain lashed down for an hour between 7 and 8 o'clock, and as a result 42 points of an inch of rain were recorded by the Royal Observatory.

The last thunderstorm to occur in January was in 1937 when 90 points of an inch of rain fell.

Yesterday's temperature was also high for this time of the year, though by no means a record. Maximum reading reached 77.3, but the highest January temperature was in 1905, when 79.3 was recorded.

## French Ship Intercepted By British

### Tried To Run Blockade

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Confirmation that the French steamer, Mendoza, which was trying to run the blockade from South America to Europe has been intercepted by the British, was given by the First Lord of the Admiralty (Mr A. V. Alexander) in the House of Commons today.

The Independent Member, Col J. C. Wedgwood, who had suggested that the Mendoza be sunk, interposed to ask whether this "business of hedge-hopping along the coast of South America is to continue indefinitely with all French ships."

Mr Alexander reminded Col Wedgwood that the "question of International Law affects not only the nation whose ships are intercepted but also other nations who are very friendly to us."

### Greeks In Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Greek Government has ordered the mobilisation of Greek citizens throughout Egypt between the ages of 20 and 45.

The formation of an Army Corps named the "Hellenic Column in Egypt" will follow.

## EMBARGO REMOVAL

### Merely A Gesture To Soviet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The lifting of a moral embargo on the export of aeroplanes and air equipment to the Soviet Union is not likely to affect the form of war supplies to Britain, according to well-informed quarters here.

No orders Russia could place could be fulfilled before 1943, it then.

The lifting of the embargo is little more than a "fine gesture." Apart from the moral embargo, there are also a number of other restrictions on the shipment of materials necessary for defence needs and connected with plans to turn United States industry into an arsenal for Britain.

Asked at the press conference whether the material shipped to Russia might reach Germany, Mr Cordell Hull replied: "I think you will find that the usual interest of this government in that phase of the situation is being taken."

## Bermuda Sea Plane Bases

### Leased To America

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Two islands in the Bermuda Group are to be leased to the United States for 99 years for use as flying boat bases. They are Morgan and Tucker Islands.

The Colonial Office states that when it was announced that an agreement had been reached on certain sites to be leased to the United States for bases in Bermuda in the British West Indies, was stated in regard to Bermuda that the United States had also asked for the use of one or more islands in the Great Sound.

Agreement was reached regarding the latter.

### Republican Jibs At Lense and Lend Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Lense and Lend Bill was described as a measure "to authorise an undeclared war in the name of peace and dictatorship in the name of defending democracy" by Mr Norman Thomas, the Socialist leader, testifying before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives today.

The first formal indication of the attitude of the Republican minority towards the Bill in Congress was given by Senator Charles McNary, the Republican vice-presidential candidate in the recent presidential elections, who announced that he opposed the Bill in its present form "because it grants extraordinary and total power to one person," but emphasised that he favoured all aid to Britain short of war.

## Australians To Lead Abyssinian Soldiers

### ("Reuter" With Abyssinians in Sudan)

The first contingent of regular troops in the new Abyssinian Army was formally entrusted by Emperor Haile Selassie this morning to the leadership of a young Australian officer.

Vultures were circling overhead when, accompanied by the Crown Prince, the Duke of Harrar, the Emperor arrived on the parade ground where the troops were drawn up, each platoon headed by an Australian sergeant.

After inspecting the khaki-clad warriors with their British rifles and equipment, the Emperor addressed them on the task entrusted to them

## HOLLAND LOOKS TO FUTURE

### Buying Food Stocks

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The Netherlands Government has made arrangements for the purchase and storage of food and materials for the ultimate benefit of the people of the Netherlands.

When the Netherlands Government was forced to leave the country in order to continue its functions on foreign soil, the Netherlands were left with ample stores of food and raw materials. Nazi exploitation of the Netherlands and its people, according to Dutch circles in London, soon reduced the available stocks to a minimum, and serious hardship is now being experienced by the Dutch populace.

Queen Wilhelmina has just appointed the Netherlands commercial expert, Jonkheer van Stolk, to contract all purchases for the Netherlands Ministry of Economic Affairs.

A purchasing office will be opened in New York and goods will be purchased from the Netherlands East Indies, the British Empire and America so that the Netherlands has sufficient food and materials available to start the replenishment of Holland at the first opportunity.

## Burma-China Railway

### Questions In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, Mr Hamilton Kerr asked Mr L. S. Amery (Secretary for India and Burma) whether, in view of the possibility of the proposed Burma-Yunnan road for transport of Lancashire textiles into China after the war, he will suggest to the Burmese Government the desirability of preparing a section of this railway leading from the head of the present Burmese Railway to the Chinese frontier.

Mr Amery replied that the problems which the project of the Burma-Yunnan railway presents are receiving the urgent consideration of the Government.

The engineering difficulties are very great and so is the question of supply in the present conditions of material required.

## ILLEGAL LOTTERIES

Kwan Ping, 29, unemployed, failed to appear before Mr H. C. Sheldon, i.c., at the Central Magistracy today on a charge of keeping a gaming house for the purpose of Tse Fa lottery at No. 187 Hennessy Road, ground floor, on January 22. His bail of \$75 was estreated.

A fine of \$75 or six weeks' hard labour was passed by Mr Sheldon on Leung Sang, 22, unemployed, for keeping a gaming house at 45, Lockhart Road, 1st floor, for Tse Fa lottery.

Failing to appear on a charge of keeping a gaming house at 24 Caroline Hill Road, ground floor, Ho Cheuk, 50, unemployed, had his bail of \$75 estreated.

Lam Chi, 32, was also charged for the same offence, but pleaded that he was only an employee on the premises. He was discharged.

Tang Ming, 36, unemployed, had his bail of \$75 estreated for failure to appear on a charge of using 42 King Kong Street, ground floor, as a gaming house.

Similarly charged, Yan Loi, 30, unemployed, was fined \$75 or ordered to serve six weeks' hard labour by Mr Sheldon. Defendant admitted a previous conviction.

## Japanese Consul Official Held

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VANCOUVER B. C., Jan. 22 (UP).—The authorities today held Mr Matsumoto, a temporary member of the Japanese Consulate, charged with taking motion pictures of the Jericho base of the R.A.F.

The Japanese Consul-General, Mr Nakamura, apologised and said that Mr Matsumoto had arrived from Japan only a month ago, and was not aware that the taking of such pictures was forbidden during the war.

## MACKINTOSH'S

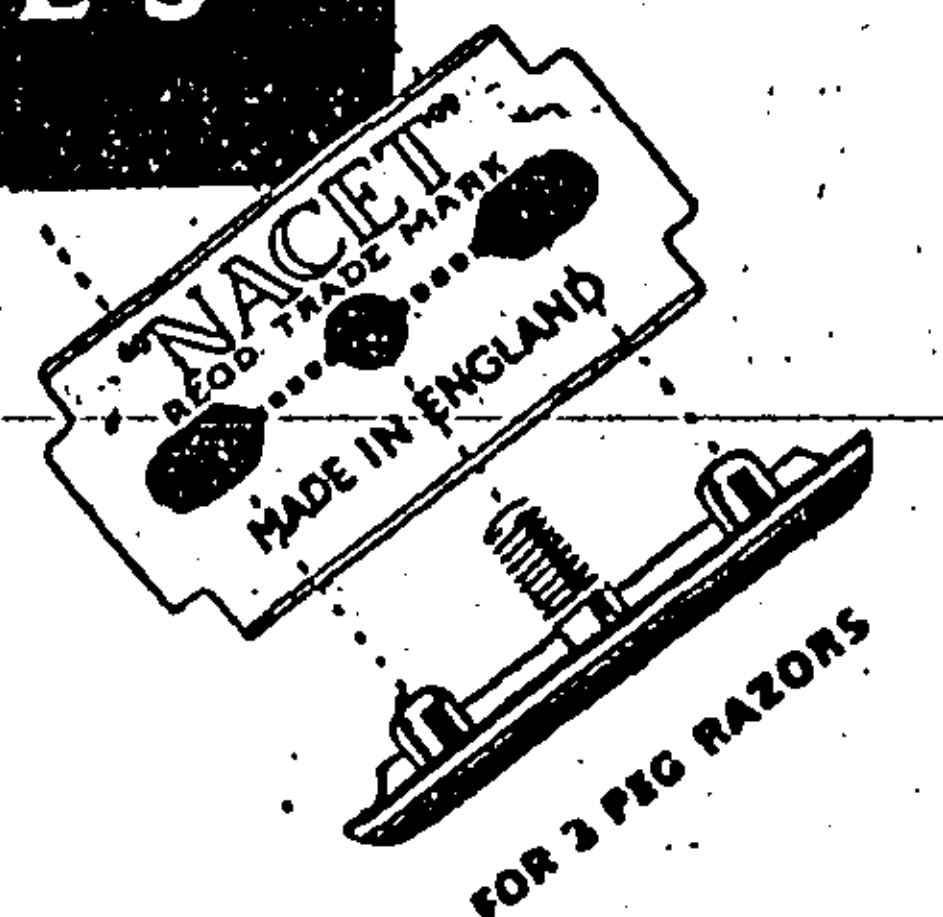
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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# Serious Accidents May Arise Out Of "Sticks"

## Players Expect Much Latitude From Umpires: Rigid Ruling

PLAYERS generally expect too much latitude from umpires for breaches of Rule 10. I have seen teeth knocked out and badly cut faces from smashed spectacles arising from "sticks."

### NATURAL WEAKNESSES

This Rule was undoubtedly created in the long ago to prevent such accidents as these. If infringements are made and umpires are lenient, the game gets out of hand, for human nature being what it is, players will take advantage of a non-too-strict umpire, not only in regard to Rule 10 but with regard to others, too.

I have noted a growing tendency this season for defenders to tackle forwards (who look like becoming dangerous) from behind on the left and to put their right hands on their men while using their lefts and sticks to recover possession of the ball. Then with a push either sending his man down or putting him out of his stride.

Generally the man goes down, and I have seen numerous cases of this in what is accepted as first-class hockey.

Players say that they do not obtain any advantage from "sticks." This is a curious fallacy. To prove it: Take a free hit from the goal line and permit "sticks" for the hit, and then mark the distance that the ball has travelled. Repeat this shot but observe the strict ruling and then note the difference that the ball has travelled.

Is it fair to shoot at a goal-keeper with the force that can be obtained from "sticks"? And an umpire is right to whistle for these infringements.

He is there to see that the game is played according to the rules governing the game. He has no authority in fact he exceeds his powers to permit infringements to occur without penalty.

### Play To The Rules

It is the opinion of the greater number of players that the rule needs revising, the remedy is in their own hands, but I doubt if the International Hockey Board would modify the rule because of the already existing danger arising from "sticks."

Let us play this amateur game according to the wording and spirit

of the rules. If this were done, play would not only improve all round but there would be an enormous improvement in finesse and combinations, constructive passing and team work generally. I believe on would have a more spectacular game to watch and this would make for increasing popularity.

## BADMINTON LEAGUE

### Matches Played In "B" Division

In the B Division of the badminton league last night, St John's beat Police 4-1, Kowloon beat St John's 5-4 and Victoria Recreation Club beat Jewish Recreation Club 5-4.

Scores: St Andrew's, at home, beat Police 3-1, E. F. Fincher and P. Key beat W. Gillies and L. Gordon 21-18, beat H. Dingdale and J. Ferrier 21-5, beat St John's 21-5.

A. E. Brown and S. A. Gray beat Gillies and Gordon 21-9, beat Dingdale and Ferrier 21-8, beat St John's and Shepherd 21-5.

M. M. Davies and B. Gillespie lost to Gillies and Gordon 10-21, beat Dingdale and Ferrier 21-8, beat St John's and Shepherd 21-5.

JEWISH R.C. v. V.R.O. The Jewish Recreation Club lost to Victoria Recreation Club 4-5.

J. Odell and M. Tolan (J.R.C.) lost to D. N. Xavier and S. A. Humjahn 21-23, beat A.A. Remedios and P. Castro 21-10, beat A. Basto and M. M. de V. Soares 21-12.

A. R. Pollak and L. Landau lost to Xavier and Humjahn 10-21, lost to Remedios and Castro 21-23, lost to Basto and Soares 7-21.

S. Ramler and D. Godkin lost to Xavier and Humjahn 6-21, beat Remedios and Castro 21-7, beat Basto and Soares 21-14.

ST JOHN'S v. K.C.C. St John's lost to Kowloon at St John's Hall.

## "Pilgrim" Selects Interport XI

I NOTICE in a morning contemporary that the first trial for the Interport is to be held next Saturday on the Club ground at 3.30 p.m., and according to the list of players published I would like to remind the Selectors that several very good names have been omitted.

I would like to draw attention to the following (including all ranks of the Services should they be permitted to leave the Colony):

Right backs—Pte Stickley (Mids.) and Pte Taylor (R.E.).

Left Backs—Kishen Singh (H.K. S.I.A.) and Blackburn (Police).

Right Halves—Sgt Ure (Mids.) and R. Marques (Recrelo).

Centre-halves—Crowley (Mids.) and R. J. Reed (Nomads).

Right wing—Karminder Singh (Khalsa) is worth a trial and is much faster than Teja Singh of the Police.

Sgt Denyer (inside-right) and Sgt Holmberg (centre-forward) of the R. Engineers and Pte Sheehan (inside-left) of Middlesex are all worth a trial. I hope the Selectors will not overlook them.

My nominations for the Interport XI according to form are: U. B. Souza, Pte Stickley and V. C. Bond; M. B. Hassan, W. A. Reed and N. Whitley; 2/Lt Ross, M. Akram, Gurbachan Singh, L/Cpl Shaw and Narwant Singh.

Reserves—Sgt Croston (back), Sgt Ure or A. M. Alves (halves), E. Fowler and Sgt Holmberg (forwards).

D. Kwok and E. Kennard lost to A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth 11-21, beat J. L. Anderson and H. S. Jones 21-19, lost to A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth 12-21.

N. L. Smith and P. Wilson beat Fisher and Wynter-Blyth 21-13, beat Anderson and Jones 21-16, beat Guest and Zimmermann 21-10.

R. Maynard and G. S. Ladd lost to Fisher and Wynter-Blyth 12-21, lost to Anderson and Jones 6-21, lost to Guest and Zimmermann 9-21.

## ASSN. TOURNAMENT

### Punjabs Beat Khalsa By Only Goal Scored

IN A TOURNAMENT fixture on the Marina ground last Sunday, the Punjab Regiment beat Khalsa 1-0. It was unfortunate that the ground was soft which was rather against good hockey. Nevertheless a keen and hard-fought match was seen, and ten minutes before the interval Ashref scored the only goal of the match after clever combination on the left flank.

Khalsa should have equalised a few minutes later when Gurbachan Singh broke through, but a penalty bully was awarded against Mohd. Akram for foul play.

A peculiar incident followed—Akram, who was defending, was cautioned three times in succession during the bully and yet allowed a fourth attempt, when he eventually got the ball out of the circle.

A goal should have been awarded to Khalsa after the first bully, but the umpire for some reason thought otherwise.

Khalsa were again on the offensive, but over-eagerness in front of goal and the tendency to get offside lost them their opportunities.

### Later Superiority

PUNJABS were definitely the superior in the second half and had Khalsa penned in their own half for long periods at a time. Only on two occasions did the visitors look like notching a goal, but sound defence and clever positional play by Akram at centre-half, robbed them time and again.

Ross's tactics as leader were based upon speed of attack, and his wingers kept the Khalsa defence frequently guessing. Dhan Ram, at left half, gave a fine display, both in attack and defence.

Khalsa forwards hung too far up the field when they should have given their halves more support, and when they did attack the insides bunched too much in the circle.

Hassan was the best of the halves, and Souza in goal played his usual sound game.

## Random Jottings

### Umpire's Bad Ruling In Tournament Game

IN AN IMPORTANT game played during the week-end, a bad decision given by one of the umpires cost one of the leading teams the loss of a point in the Association Tournament. I am in no way trying to criticise the umpire, but for the satisfaction of the team concerned, it must be admitted that the official was definitely at fault.

The team has decided to accept the official's decision as final and does not intend to protest, though they have good reason to do so.

As the Penalty Bully Rule should be brought into force more often, especially in League games, and as some umpires lack full knowledge of its operation, I shall comment on this Rule next week.

At the last meeting of the Hongkong H.A. Council, it was decided that the Interport match against Macao be played this year.

Sunday, March 2 has been nominated, and it now depends on Macao to accept this date.

I believe the Portuguese Colony will be holding a Grand Carnival on that date.

THE Interport Selection Committee, comprising Lt Pirie (Army), Lt Gunner (Navy) and Mr K. Hussain (Civilians).

According to information received, only officers from the Services' teams will, if chosen, be able to make the trip. The majority of the players, no doubt, will be civilians.

Trial games will be held sometime this month. Mr V. M. Benwell is in charge of booking arrangements, etc.

WHETHER the International Tournament will be held this season is still doubtful. This will be discussed after the Interport has been played, and at the conclusion of the H.K.H.A. Tournament, which will end sometime towards the end of April.

DUE to his being ordered off the field by an umpire for ungentlemanly conduct during the Recrelo-C.B.A. match some six weeks ago—Freddie Fowler has been cautioned by the H.K.H.A.

THE 5th A.A. Bty. "A" failed to put in an appearance at King's Park last Sunday morning, when they were to have met A.N. Others in a League encounter. I understand that the latter are claiming full points.

Navy retained their unbeaten record in the quadrangular rugby tournament yesterday when they beat Police, three tries (9) to a dropped-goal (4) after holding an interval lead of 6-4, although Police led in the early stages.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION Sunday, January 28 Navy v. Civilians Kowloon Ground, 3.30 p.m.

Monday, January 27 Chinese v. Army Navy ground, 3.30 p.m.

Prices of admission: Covered stand \$1.10, Uncovered stand 55 cents and end stands 35 cents (including tax).

Booking for the covered stand reserved seats for the Chinese-Army match now open at Messrs. Moutrie and Co. Ltd.

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## Alice Marble—Outstanding Woman Athlete For 1940

### A Landslide Vote

NEW YORK, Dec. (AP).—Mr Harmon, meet the new champion, Alice I. Marble of California and New York. It looked as if Tom Harmon had won a pretty decisive triumph in being named No. 1 male athlete of the year in the Associated Press poll (30 first-place votes).

But the Harmon landslide shrinks to a small pebble rolling down a small hill compared with the vote for Miss Marble as outstanding woman competitor of 1940.

Seventy-two sports experts throughout the country took part in the voting. All but seven put the tennis queen, also the winner in 1939, at the head of the list. She got 65 first-place votes, nine seconds and three thirds (this total of 77 votes being explained by the fact that several ballots gave her first, second and third place) and 210 points.

Just as she stood so far above the amateur tennis field that she finally turned pro for lack of competition (and \$25,000), she finished so far ahead in the point standing there hardly was a second.

This doubtful distinction, in any event, was won by cheerful Betty Jameson of San Antonio, Texas, who got four firsts and 89 points for the quite considerable feat of winning the U. S. women's golf title for the second year in a row.

### Miss Gestring Third

WITH points awarded on a 3-2-1 basis, only five others got more than three points. They were Marjorie Gestring, Los Angeles diving star, 31 without a first-place vote; Patty Berg, Minneapolis golf ace who like Miss Marble, turned pro this year, one first and 23 points; Babe Didrikson-Zaharias, western star, 24 without a first-place vote; open golf winner, two and 15; Lorraine Fisher of New York, swimming champion, none and 9, and Katie Rawls-Thompson of Florida, swimming, none and 4.

### Minor Placings

AMONG the minor point-winners were Sonja Henia Topping, who hasn't been a competitive athlete for several years, but invariably gets a mention; Jacqueline Cochran, whose nomination thus brings aviation under the heading of sports; Katherine Dewey, whose Lake Placid (N. Y.) Bobsled team beat a men's combine for the National A. U. U. title last winter, and Hazel Walker Krutcher of Little Rock, Ark., who made the A. A. U. All-America women's basketball team for the 11th straight year and won the national free throw title for the ninth time in 10 years.

### FINAL STANDINGS

Alice Marble, tennis ..... 210  
Betty Jameson, golf ..... 89  
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Members of the Rikkyo University swimming team, who recently competed with great success in the Philippine championships, will give an exhibition in the European Y.M.C.A. pool to-day at 2 p.m. A charge of \$1 will be made, 50 per cent of which will be donated to charity.



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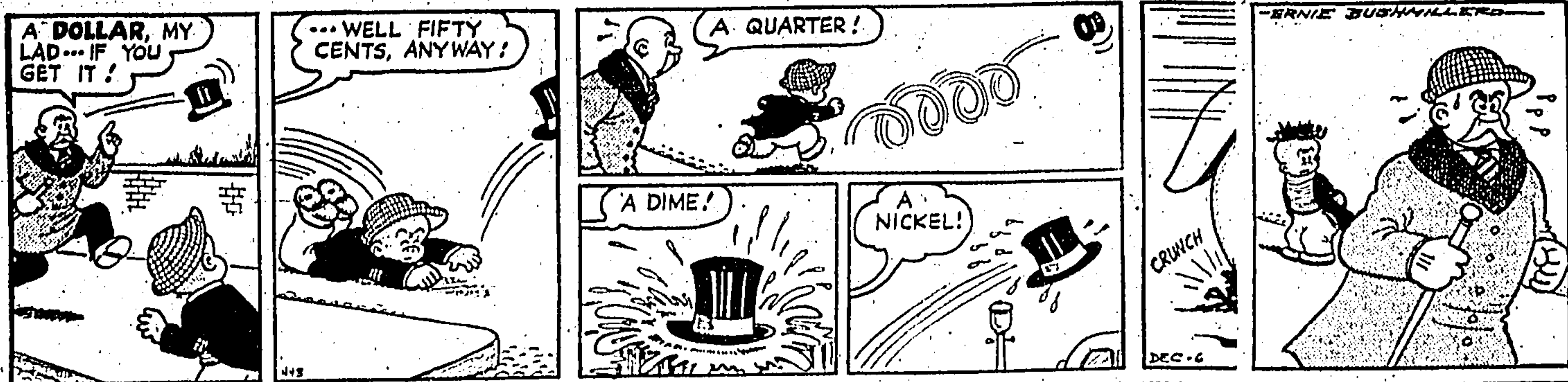
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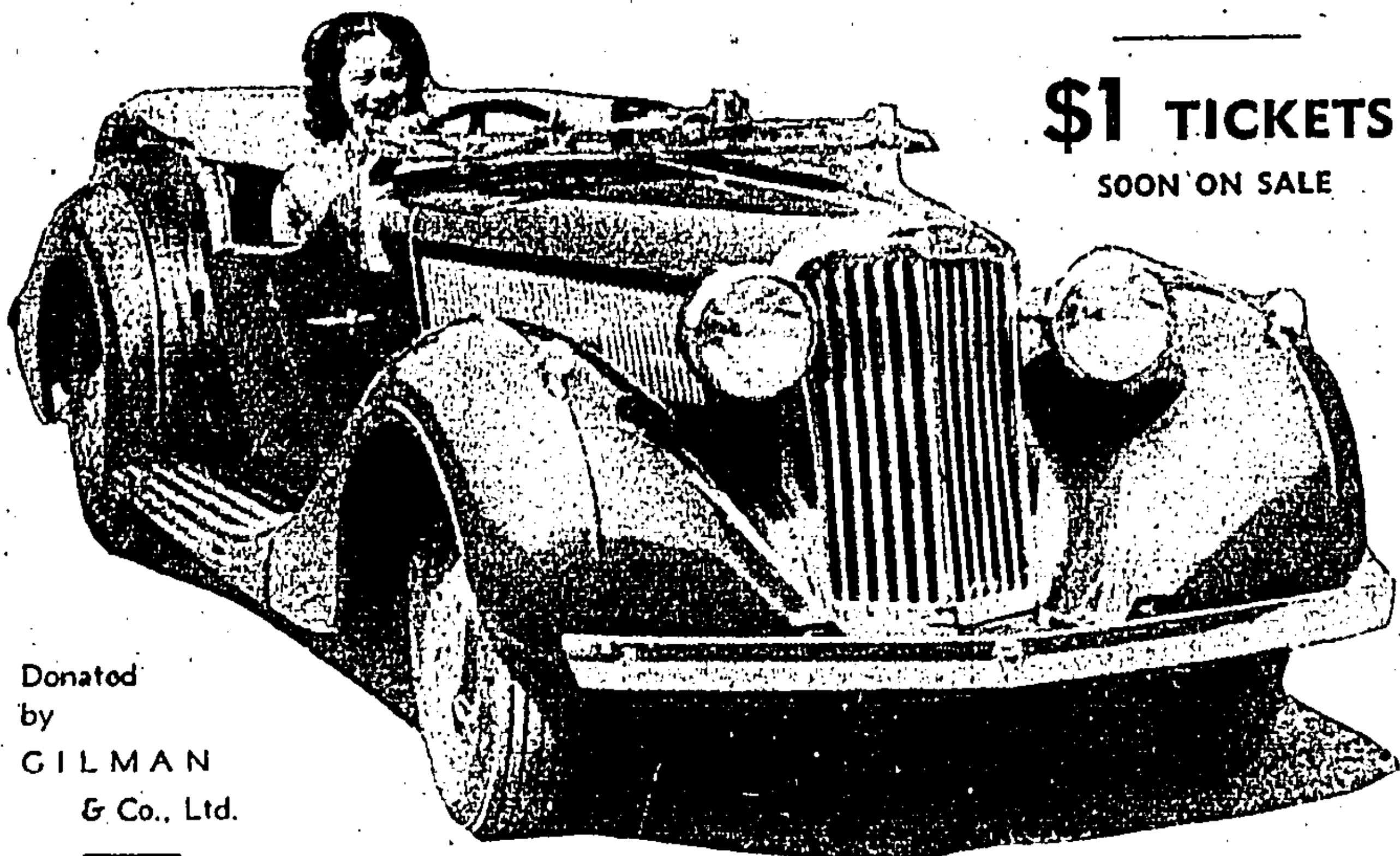


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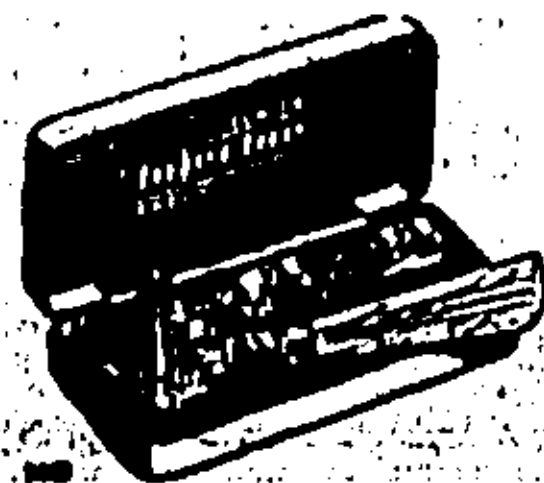
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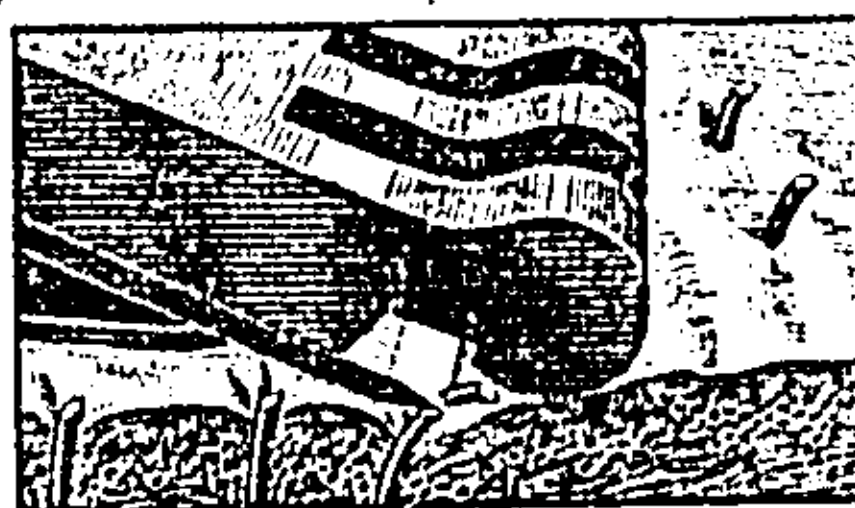


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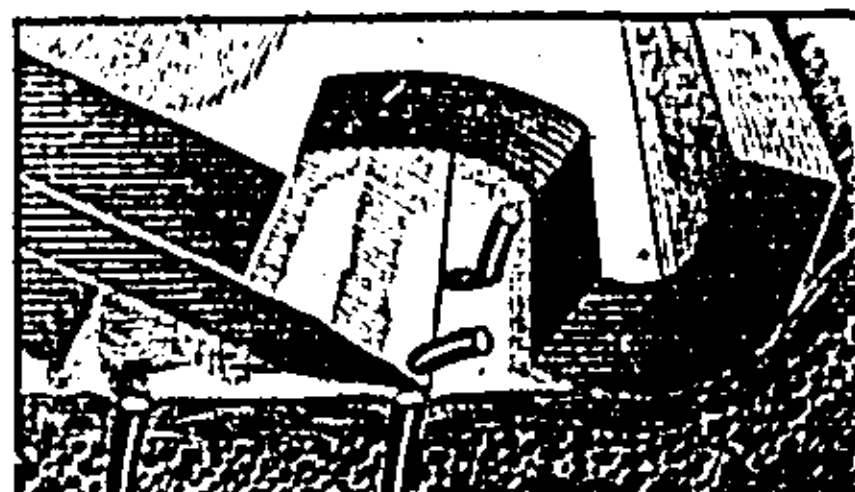
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## SUPPRESSION OF NEWSPAPER

### Reasons Given In Commons

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The suppression of the Communist newspaper "Daily Worker," provoked a miniature debate at question-time in the House of Commons to-day.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, said that the action of the authorities was not taken because of any recent change or development in the character of this publication nor because of the appearance in it of some particular articles, but because it had been for a long period the settled policy of the "Daily Worker" to try to create a state of mind in which readers would refrain from co-operating in the national war effort and become ready to hinder that effort.

It was his firm conviction that the freedom of the press should be maintained even at the risk that it may sometimes be abused. But there is a wide difference between accepting such occasional publication of newspapers whose deliberate purpose is to weaken the will of the people to achieve victory in the most momentous struggle in our history.

The object of its propaganda is to cause the downfall of the democratic constitutional government regardless of the consequences to the fate of Britain and her allies.

Before the Government took action there had been a long period of forbearance.

#### Conscription of Labour

The Communist, Mr. W. Gallagher, asked whether the Government's action coincided with the introduction of proposals to conscript labour, and was meant to suppress all opposition to that proposal.

Mr. Morrison said that there was not the slightest connection between the two subjects. When the decision was reached to suppress the "Daily Worker" he had not the slightest knowledge that the other proposal was coming forward.

The Labour member, Mr. Aneurin Bevan asked whether an opportunity would be given to discuss the matter in the House.

The Premier intervened to say that there was sufficient desire to debate the matter naturally an opportunity would be given, and he hoped that the matter would be pressed to a division so "that we may clearly see what is the balance of opinion in the House."

#### American Sub Chasers And Small Craft Voted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives has passed the Bill authorizing the expenditure of £227,000,000 for the construction of 400 submarine chasers and other small craft and the expansion of shipbuilding facilities. The measure now goes to the Senate.

#### Kweichow Cotton

KWEIYANG, Jan. 22 (Central News).—A cotton crop totalling more than 100,000 piculs was harvested last year in Kweichow. Cotton was planted in a total area of 6,800 mow in 39 districts of the province.

## TANGIER STATUS Britain's Rights Respected

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—In answering his first question in the House of Commons since resuming the Foreign Secretaryship, Mr. Anthony Eden was able to announce "certain definite progress" in the British negotiations with Spain over the recent administrative action in Tangier.

Mr. Eden recalled that discussions had been proceeding at Madrid with the view to concluding a provisional agreement concerning British rights and interests in the International Zone of Tangier pending a final settlement.

"Discussions are proceeding satisfactorily," said Mr. Eden. "Although consideration of all the questions involved is not yet fully completed, sufficient progress has been made to justify the view that pending a final settlement, the existing rights of British subjects in the Zone will be safeguarded."

Mr. Eden hoped to make a full statement shortly and added that there were no Italian submarines now in Tangier.

#### STOCK EXCHANGE TEMPORARY SPURT

RESULTS FROM TOBRUK

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Sentiment on the Stock Exchange was cheered by the news from Tobruk but an early promise of the resumption of activity failed to materialise.

Gilt-edged holdings occasionally strengthened but industrial and oil failed to show any definite trend. Among foreign bonds, Brazilians were undecided while Far Easterns, especially Japanese, tended to go lower. Wall Street was quiet.

## Commons Debate On Conscription Scheme

LONDON, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Representative views were expressed in the House of Commons debate on manpower preceding Mr. Winston Churchill's speech.

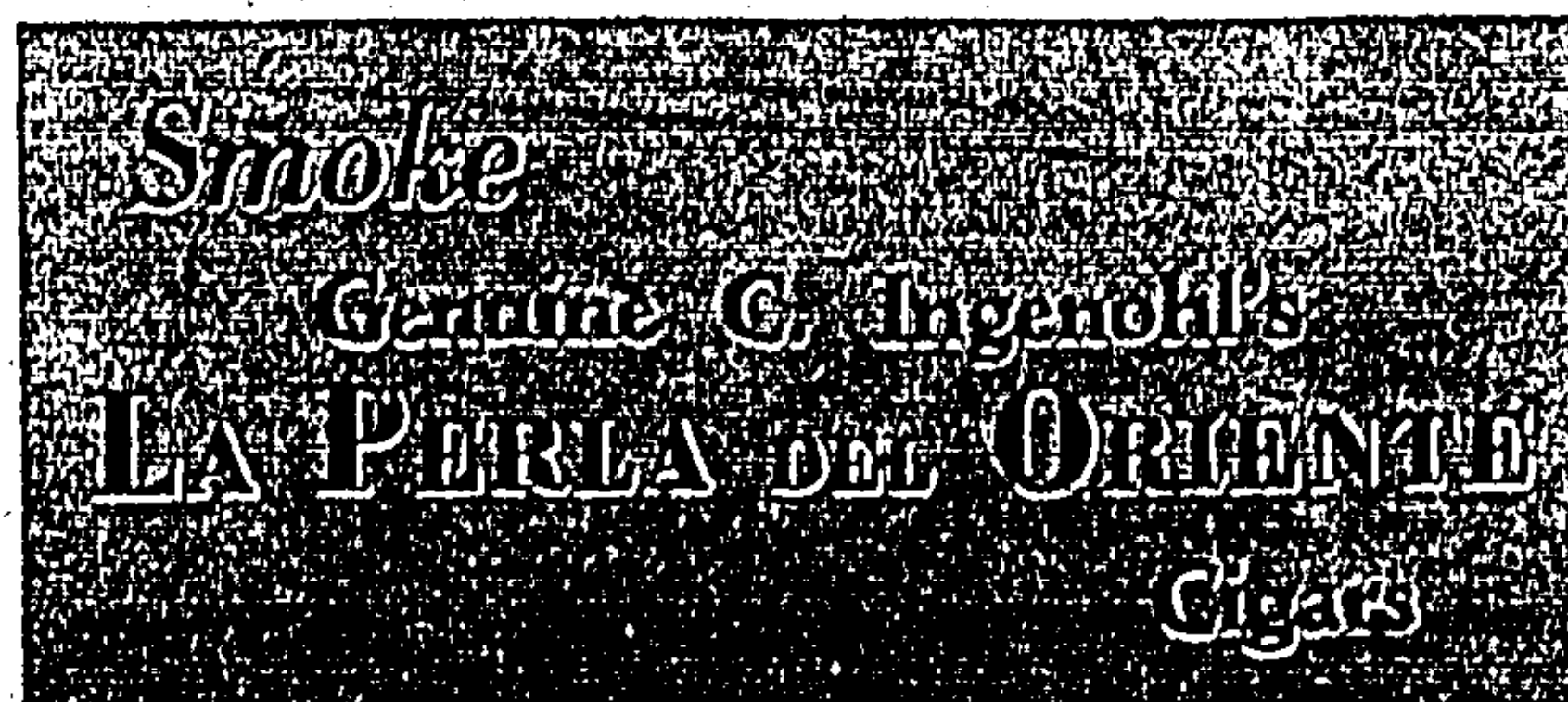
The Independent Member, Mr. Clement Davies, who was a leading figure in the so-called "Ginger" group which operated during Mr. Chamberlain's premiership, declared that the Government was still doing too little and that property and persons must be subjected to greater discipline.

The Labourite, Mr. J. J. Lawson, appealed to members to beware lest they modify or undermine the fine temper and spirit of the great mass of workers.

The Back Bench Conservative, Mr. M. S. McCordale, said that there was a certain uneasiness about the nation's production methods. That was obviously felt by Mr. Churchill because of the changes he had made in the Government. But he (Mr. McCordale) thought that the new production plan would work.

Dr. Edith Summerskill pleaded for a propaganda effort to make the nation's womanhood more war-minded.

Another Labourite, Mr. A. Woodburn, contended that compulsion within industry was not necessary and would utterly fail.



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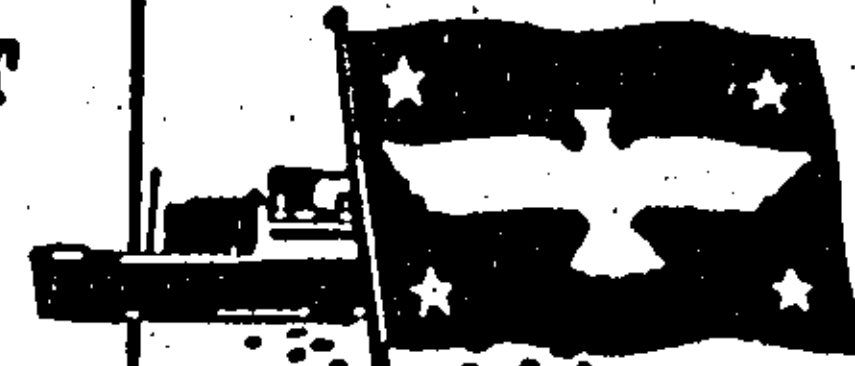
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## AUSTRALIANS TAKE TOBRUK

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**Graziani's Losses**  
CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Imperial troops are now in the actual streets of Tobruk although fighting continues on the western section of the outer perimeter.

Tobruk contained at least one division with a small element of another division, and also permanent garrison troops and heavy additional artillery.

With the mopping up of Tobruk forces, Marshal Graziani has now lost two-thirds of the total Italian forces which were in Libya when operations first started on December 9.

The forces eliminated comprise an equivalent of eight Blackshirt or Metropolitan divisions and three Libyan divisions.

**R. A. F. Give Fine Support**  
CAIRO, Jan. 22 (Reuter).—Supporting the Army attack, R.A.F. bombers raided Tobruk during the night of January 20, states an R.A.F. communiqué.

Bombs were dropped on anti-aircraft batteries, two of which ceased firing, and on the cross-roads north-east of El Gubbi landing ground.

Violent explosions occurred among the buildings.

British fighter patrols were very active throughout the day but no contact was made with the enemy.

In Albania, military objectives in El Bassan were raided yesterday. High explosive and incendiary bombs fell within the target area. Military buildings and a railway line were hit. There were violent explosions close to the railway.

Anti-aircraft opposition was encountered and enemy fighters were active.

### Massawa Raided

In Italian East Africa, Massawa was raided on the night of January 20, the power station and a large factory being the particular targets.

The railway station at Aisha was attacked yesterday, the bombs striking the track. A direct hit was registered on a large building.

Troop-laden lorries were machine-gunned near Adad.

Several fires were started at Burye during a night raid on camps and forts.

Rhodesian aircraft machine-gunned enemy motor transport on the road between Keru and Bisha, causing considerable damage.

South African Air Force planes successfully raided Javello and scored hits on enemy bombers.

The British aircraft returned safely from all operations.

### The Navy's Part

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that units of the Mediterranean fleet have removed over 50,000 prisoners and many of the captured tanks which are in condition to be repaired, from the Western Desert to main British bases.

The fleet suffered no losses and the navy supplied the advanced troops with all their water prior to the occupation of Bardia. "In one short period, more than 300,000 tons of water was landed," the report added.

### Italian Admission

ROME, Jan. 22 (UP).—To-day's communiqué stated that the British troops had penetrated the line of strongholds in the eastern sector of Tobruk after bitter fighting throughout the day.

British naval guns shelled Tobruk during the entire night, after which British aviation unceasingly supported the daylight attack.

The attacking British troops consisted of three Australian divisions, reinforced with two regiments of heavy artillery, two armoured divisions and one French motorized formation.

### Destroyer Lost

LONDON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the destroyer Hyperion has been lost. The announcement says: "H.M.S. Hyperion sustained damage by a torpedo or mine which rendered her incapable of steering and she was subsequently sunk by our forces."

## Unwitting Charity Offence

For collecting money by unlawfully selling flags, two hawkers, Ng Wah, 39, and Chan Yiu, 23, appeared before Mr H. G. Sheldon, J.C., at Central Magistracy this morning. A third defendant, Chan Yiu-po, 20, was absent.

Det. Summers said that defendants were arrested at No. 10 Smithfield on January 22. Defendants were alleged to have made a collection of money on behalf of the Western District Branch of the Hawkers' Guild without written permission from the Commissioner of Police. Defendants said that they did not know that it was compulsory to have permission.

Defendants were discharged since there was no doubt of their good intentions. The flags were ordered to be confiscated and the money which had been collected to be given to some similar charity society.

## LATE NEWS

## 1,000 KILLED IN STREET WAR

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Doehring, a member of the German military mission, is reported to have been shot after court martial. Fifteen Greeks are said to have been arrested for examination.

**Authority Defied**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BELGRADE, Jan. 22 (UP).—It is reliably reported that a virtual state of anarchy continues at Bucharest. Rumanian authorities in many parts of the country are no longer masters of the situation.

It is stated that the authorities at Bucharest drove out the dissidents from the police headquarters and possibly from the Railway Administration building but the Iron Guards, who are now estimated to be more than 30,000 in Bucharest alone, continue to hold the radio station.

## Four Buried In Valley Landslide

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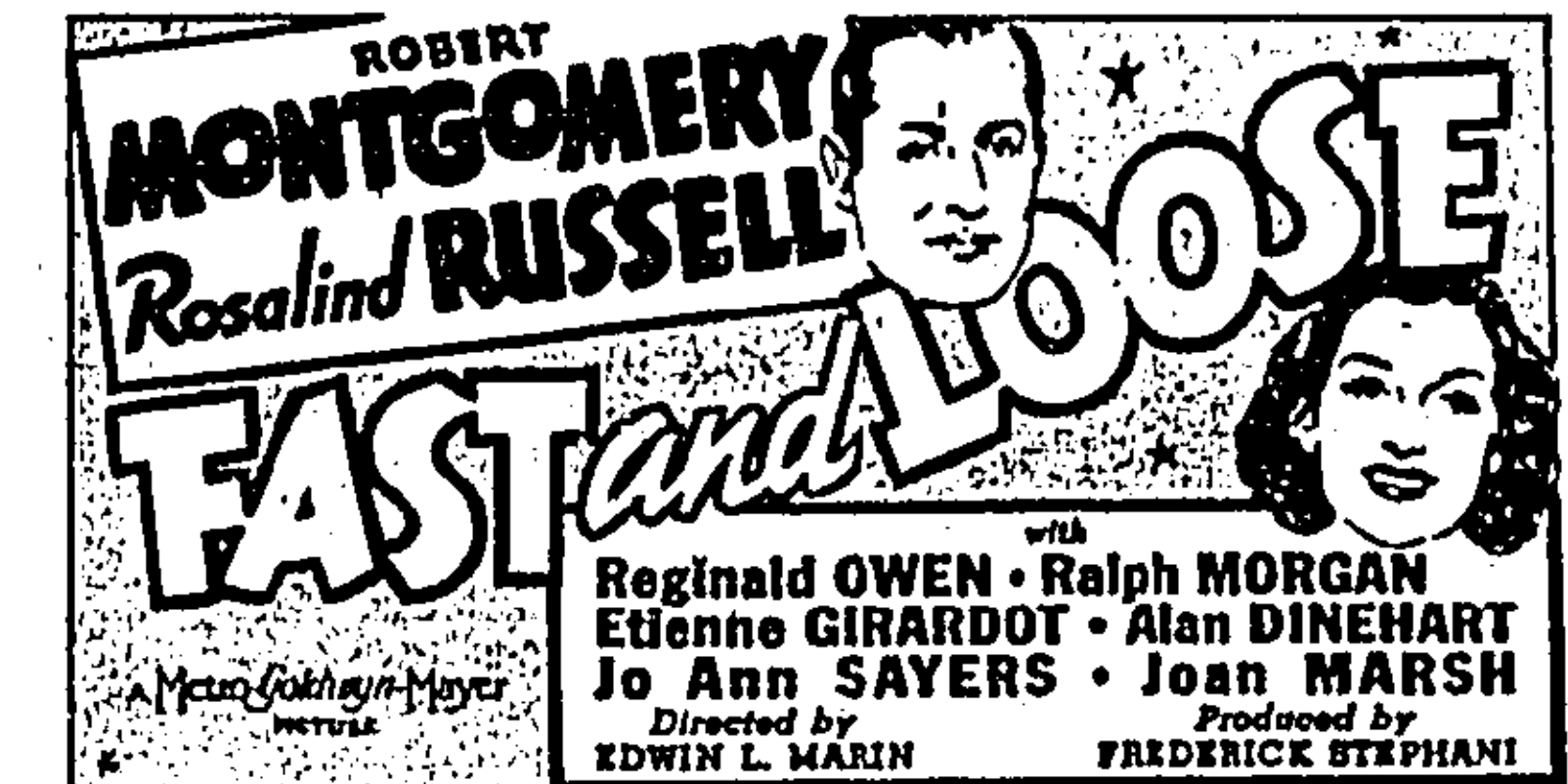
P.W.D. coolies had cleared away the debris, including huge granite rocks, and had reached the level of the buried house, but could see no signs of the building. It is believed that the house has probably submerged in the soft ground as a result of the tremendous weight and force of the landslide.

### Wind Capsizes Junk

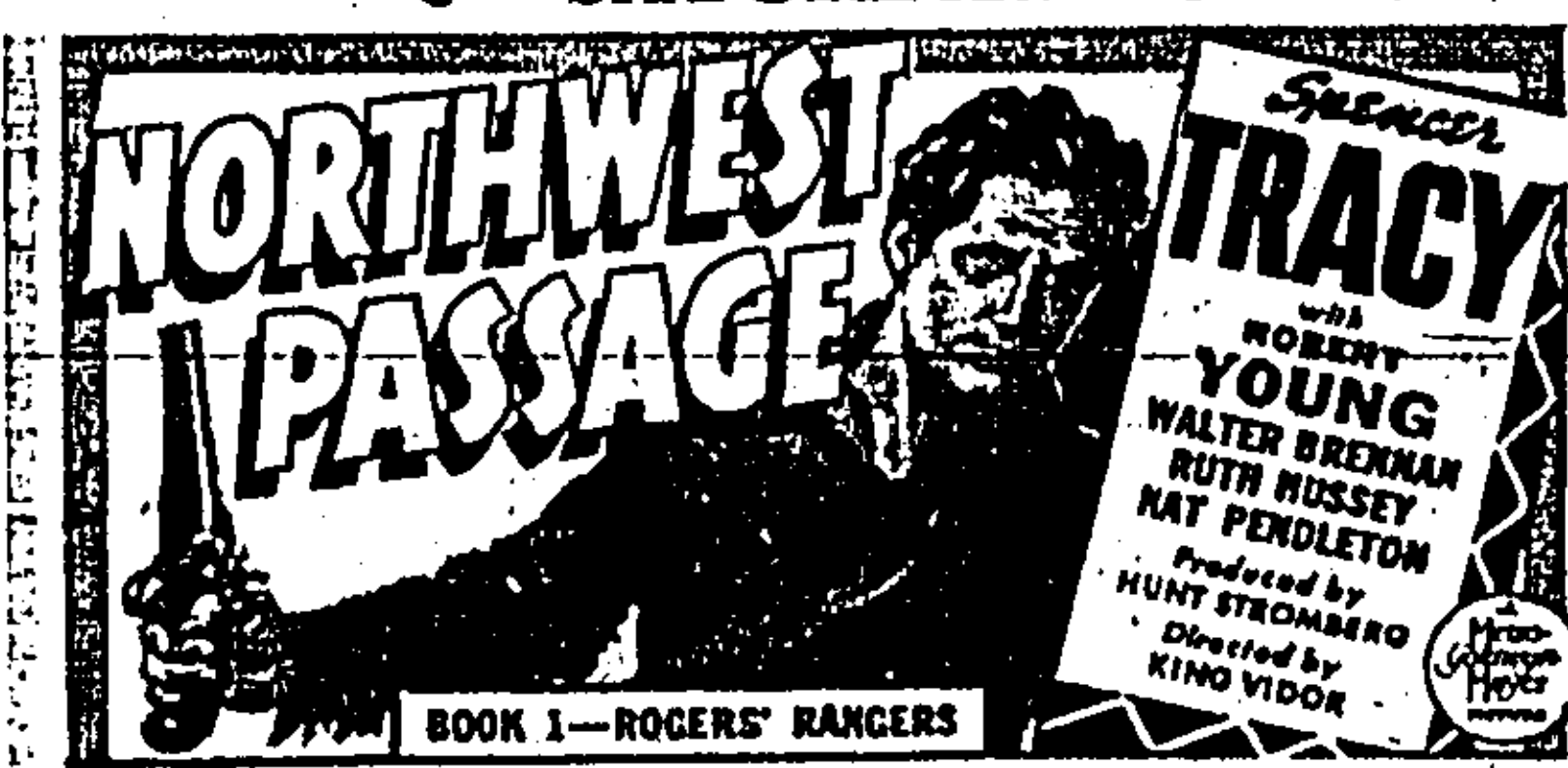
A strong gust of wind capsized a junk by the Star Ferry wharf on Kowloon side yesterday morning. No. 5 Police launch went to the assistance of the vessel and towed it to the railway pier where it was found that the crew had escaped unharm.

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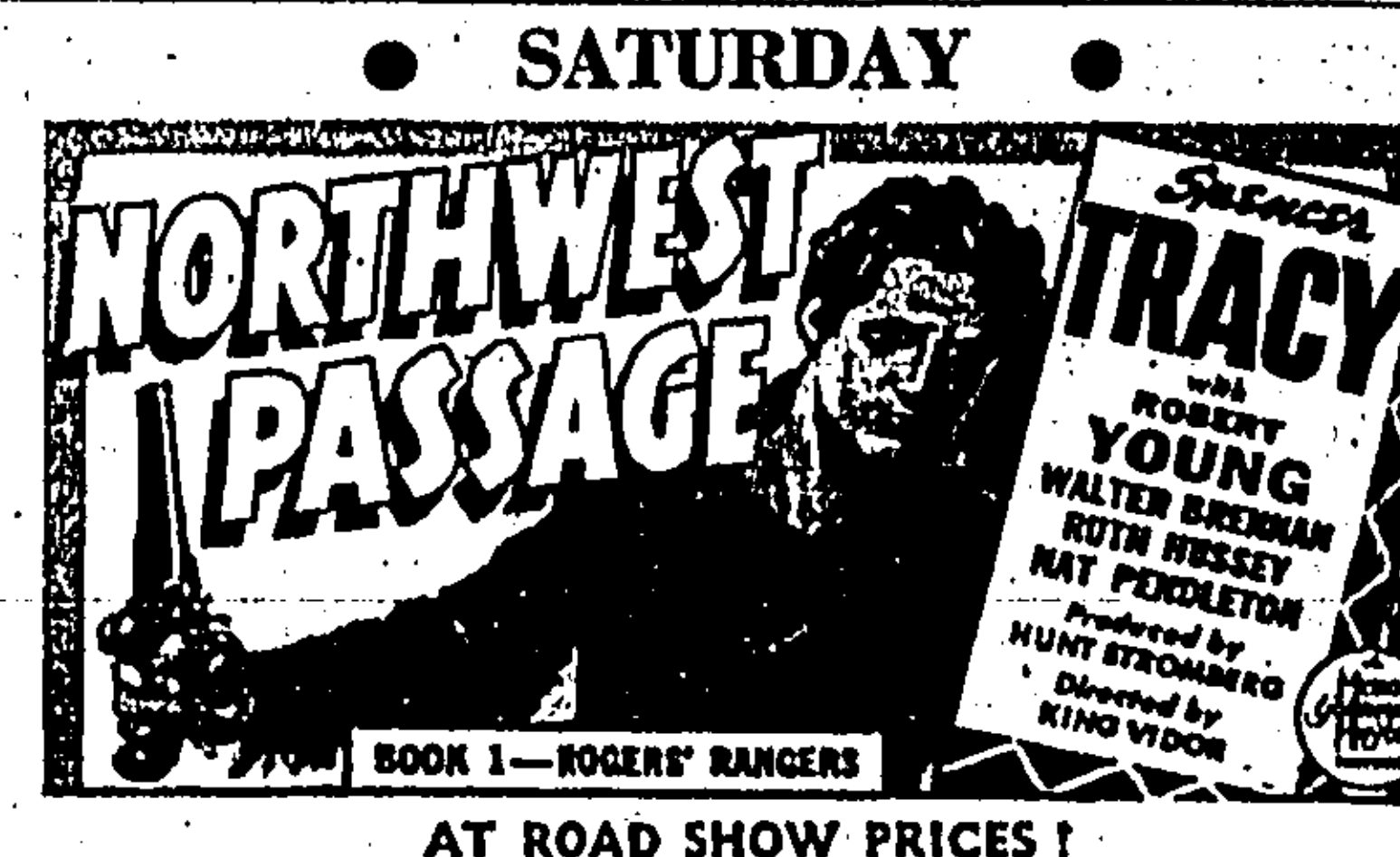


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